#### **PREFACE**

This document contains the digest of each of the 1111 House bills introduced for the 1999 regular session of the Indiana General Assembly.

Three lists appear at the front of the book, and one index appears at the end of the book. The lists group the bills **BY BILL NUMBER**, **BY AUTHOR**, and **BY COMMITTEE**. The index at the end of the book is a **SUBJECT** index.

We have compiled this book as quickly as possible after receiving committee assignments. Post-introductory information is not reflected in this document. Additional information on each of these bills is available on the Internet at www.state.in.us.

We would like to thank all of the OBDAR staff for their contributions. While this document has been improved again this year, please let us have your comments and suggestions.

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Pamela Landwer, Administrative Assistant Angela Jewell, Office Secretary **HB 1001:** (**LS 8146**) Bauer (**DI:58**) State budget.

HB 1002: (LS 6656) Kruzan (DI:87) Public records and open door compliance.

Creates the office of the public access counselor. Provides for the appointment of a public access counselor by the governor. Establishes a formal complaint procedure for the office of the public access counselor. Creates the public access education account within the state general fund for the following purposes: (1) Conducting seminars and educational programs for the public and public agencies on public access. (2) Creating publications and educational materials on public access. Requires a court to expedite the hearing of an action filed under the open door law or the public records law. Provides that if a public agency violates the open door law or the public records law, a court may assess a civil penalty not to exceed \$1,000. Requires the court clerk to remit the civil penalties to the treasurer of the state for deposit in the public access education account. Requires a court to award reasonable attorney's fees, court costs, and other reasonable expenses of litigation to a prevailing plaintiff. (Current law allows a court to award attorney's fees, court costs, and other reasonable expenses of litigation to a prevailing plaintiff if the court finds the defendant's violation was knowing and intentional.) Requires, rather than permits, a court to award reasonable attorney's fees, court costs, and other reasonable expenses of litigation to a prevailing defendant if the court finds that the action is frivolous or vexatious. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on state

government issues.)

HB 1003: (LS 8219) Bauer (DI:58) Property and income tax reduction.

Eliminates the authority of a county to impose a property tax levy for the county welfare fund, the county welfare administration fund, and the county family and children's fund. Eliminates the authority of a county to borrow for welfare purposes. Captures the miscellaneous revenue that was used for welfare purposes. Makes conforming amendments. Reduces the minimum annual increase in civil unit maximum general fund levies from 5% to 4%. Limits the maximum civil unit levy increase to 8% instead of 10%. Provides an inventory tax reduction credit for 2000 through 2003. Provides that the credit is 5% for 2000, 15% for 2001, 25% for 2002, and 35% for 2003 of the net property tax liability attributable to inventory. Creates an inventory tax reduction fund for making distributions to counties and transfers \$342,000,000 to the fund from the state general fund. Requires the county assessor to determine the assessed value and the county auditor to determine the property tax attributable to inventory. Increases individual and nonchild dependent exemptions by \$500 and makes the \$500 dependent child exemption permanent beginning with the 1999 taxable year.

HB 1004: (LS 8215) Bauer (DI:73) Children's services.

Repeals provisions concerning approval of tax levies for county family and children's funds. Changes the budgeting process for county family and children's funds. Repeals provisions concerning county reimbursement for a portion of state payments of Title IV-A assistance. Provides that under a schedule agreed to by the division of family and children and a county executive, the amounts deposited in a county welfare fund for destitute children or other child welfare services shall be transferred to the county family and children's fund before July 1, 2000. Provides that under a schedule agreed to by the division of family and children and a county executive, the amounts deposited in a county welfare fund for AFDC cash assistance shall be transferred to the county family and children's fund on July 1, 2000. Provides that on June 30, 2001, the family and children's fund established in each county is abolished and that after June 30, 2001, the division of family and children shall pay for the programs, services, and activities that were paid from the county family and children's fund. Provides that the division of family and children shall reimburse each county for 100% of the proportionate share of operating costs of the county auditor and county treasurer for the support of the county family and children's fund. Allows the division of family and children to establish a children's services incentive program to provide incentives for county offices to improve children's services and contain costs relating to expenditures from county family and children's funds. Provides that any financial incentives under the program are subject to amounts appropriated to the division. Provides that for a tax increment in which: (1) the holders of bonds or another contractual obligations received a pledge before July 1, 1999, of property tax levies to repay any part of the bonds or other contractual obligation after December 31,

1999; and (2) the elimination of a county welfare fund property tax levy, a county welfare administration fund property tax levy, or a county family and children's fund property tax levy adversely affects the ability of the allocation area to repay those bonds or obligations, the governing body of the allocation area may, after a hearing, impose a special assessment on the owners of property that is located in an allocation area to repay the bonds or obligations. Provides that the special assessment may only be imposed on that portion of a taxpayer's assessed value in the allocation area that is in excess of the taxpayer's base assessed value. Changes the duties of county early intervention teams. Makes changes to the provisions concerning reimbursement to county offices of family and children or the division of family and children for costs incurred in the removal of a child from the child's home and the placement of the child in a child caring institution, foster family home, or other home. Allows the division of family and children to contract with county prosecutors or attorneys for the enforcement and collection of parental reimbursement obligations. Provides that any fee payable to a prosecutor under such a contract shall be deposited in the county general fund and credited to a prosecutor's child services collections account. Provides that a prosecutor may use money in this account, without appropriation, only for the purpose of supporting and enhancing the functions of the prosecutor in enforcement and collection of parental obligations to reimburse the county family and children's fund. Specifies that expenses for juvenile detention facilities shall be paid from county general funds. Provides that the provisions concerning county early intervention teams do not

expire December 31, 1999.

#### HB 1005: (LS 8217) Bauer (DI:58) Property tax assessment.

Amends various provisions concerning the general reassessment, real and personal property assessment, assessor training, land valuation, industrial property assessments, property tax exemptions, property tax appeals, property tax administration, and personal property tax abatements.

#### HB 1011: (LS 6332) Grubb (DI:44) Rebate of state surplus to property taxpayers.

Provides for the rebate of an unforecasted surplus in the state general fund or property tax replacement fund to persons that paid property tax.

#### HB 1012: (LS 6077) Grubb (DI:96) Military service credit for judges' pensions.

Provides that a judge who has: (1) served at least six years as a judge; or (2) become permanently disabled may purchase service credit for active military service of the United States to be used in the computation of benefits for the 1977 or 1985 judge's retirement system if the service is not used in the computation for another public or federal retirement system other than Social Security. Provides that the contributions to either judge's retirement system are based on: (1) the judge's salary at the time of the contribution; (2) the normal cost at the time of the credit that approximates the actuarial value of the benefit; and (3) the number of years of military service credit to be purchased.

#### HB 1013: (LS 6064) Grubb (DI:76) Stepparent adoptions.

Provides that a court may determine that a home study is not required before an adoption is granted if: (1) the person who seeks to adopt a child is the child's stepparent and the child is at least eight years of age; or (2) the person who seeks to adopt the child has been married for at least five years to the child's parent. Reduces court costs from \$100 to \$55 in stepparent adoption proceedings.

# HB 1014: (LS 6068) Grubb (DI:101) Auctioneer continuing education requirements.

Removes provision prohibiting an individual from performing an act that requires an auctioneer license when the individual has been granted a waiver from the continuing education requirement for license renewal.

#### **HB 1015:** (LS 6004) Grubb (DI:92) Notice of tax sales.

Changes the property tax sale notification procedures. Adds the cost of discovering and notifying all persons with a substantial property interest of public record to the minimum sale price of the tract. Requires a contract for a title search to provide for a fee that is equal to a stated per tract charge multiplied by the number of tracts for which the search will be conducted.

# HB 1016: (LS 6193) Ayres (DI:2) Threats against schools.

Provides that it is criminal mischief, a Class B misdemeanor, to express an intent to damage or deface school property or to express an intent to injure another person on

school property.

#### HB 1017: (LS 6192) Ayres (DI:51) Public access to jury lists.

Provides that the list of names on a jury list is a public record that may be kept confidential if a supervising judge reasonably believes disclosure would: (1) endanger the safety of potential or selected jurors; or (2) lead to jury tampering. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the commission on courts.)

#### HB 1018: (LS 6232) Budak (DI:94) Distribution of Michigan train permit fees.

Provides that fees for special weight permits are used for the maintenance and repair of extra heavy duty highways. Establishes the extra heavy duty highway fund to provide funds for maintenance and repair of extra heavy duty highways. Provides that the money in the extra heavy duty highway fund must be used according to the ratio of extra heavy duty highway miles in a county to the total extra heavy duty highway miles in the state. Makes a technical correction.

#### HB 1019: (LS 6056) Budak (DI:76) Therapeutic and special needs foster care.

Provides that a therapeutic foster family home is a foster family home: (1) that provides care to a seriously emotionally disturbed or developmentally disabled child; (2) in which a child receives treatment in a family home that is supervised by certain qualified program staff; and (3) that meets all of the requirements for licensing of a foster family home and certain supplementary requirements, including additional training for therapeutic foster

parents. Prohibits a therapeutic foster parent from providing care to more than two foster children, not including children for whom the therapeutic foster parent is a parent, stepparent, guardian, custodian, or other relative. Allows the division of family and children to permit a therapeutic foster family home to provide care for more than two foster children whenever the placement of siblings in the same therapeutic foster family home is desirable or in the best interests of the foster children residing in the home. Provides that a special needs foster family home is a foster family home that provides care for a child who has a mental, physical, or emotional handicap and who will require additional supervision or assistance in behavior management, activities of daily living, or management of medical problems. Prohibits a special needs foster parent from providing care to more than eight children (including the foster family's children), and requires that not more than four of the children may be less than six years of age. Provides that the division of family and children may grant an exception to the maximum number of children who may be cared for in a special needs foster home whenever the division of family and children determines that the placement of siblings in the same special needs foster home is desirable. Requires the division of family and children to consider the specific needs of each special needs foster child whenever the division of family and children determines the appropriate number of children to place in the special needs foster home. Reestablishes the board for the coordination of child care regulation, which expired November 1, 1997, for a period beginning July 1, 1999, and ending July 1, 2001. Requires the board for the

coordination of child care regulation to study laws governing the regulation of child care and to make recommendations to the general assembly concerning changes in the law that the board for the coordination of child care regulation finds appropriate. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on family law issues.)

#### HB 1020: (LS 6034) Smith V (DI:2) Alcohol offenses by minors.

Removes certain defenses allowed to a permit holder who is charged with unlawfully furnishing an alcoholic beverage to a minor. Makes it a Class B misdemeanor instead of a Class C misdemeanor for a person to recklessly sell, barter, exchange, provide, or furnish an alcoholic beverage to a minor.

#### HB 1021: (LS 6365) Smith V (DI:71) High school diploma for GED holders.

Provides that a person who holds a GED diploma may obtain a high school diploma from the school corporation where the person has residence by passing the graduation examination under the ISTEP program within four years of obtaining the GED diploma. Requires the school corporation to administer the graduation examination at the regularly scheduled time for the examination to a GED diploma holder who wishes to take or retake the examination. Provides that a school corporation is not required to remediate a GED diploma holder who does not pass the graduation examination. Allows a school corporation to receive state adult education distribution money for adult education

programs for GED diploma holders who wish to obtain a high school diploma by passing the graduation examination.

# HB 1022: (LS 6281) Lutz L (DI:96) Police and firefighter merit systems.

Requires all cities, towns, and townships that have full-time police and fire departments to use the statutory merit system or establish their own merit system for their police and fire departments not later than July 1, 2001.

#### HB 1023: (LS 6134) Lutz L (DI:2) Advertising signs for alcoholic beverages.

Provides that an alcoholic beverage primary source of supply or wholesaler is no longer prohibited from selling, giving, supplying, furnishing, granting, or maintaining for a retail or dealer permittee an illuminated advertising sign, and that it is no longer unlawful for the permittee to be the recipient of any of these actions.

# HB 1024: (LS 6183) Ayres (DI:94) Municipal administrative matters.

Requires appropriations for the salaries of attorneys and legal research assistants employed by a clerk or clerk-treasurer to be allocated to the clerk or clerk-treasurer for the payment of the salaries. Provides that a clerk-treasurer is an ex-officio member of the town legislative body for the purpose of tie-breaking when an even number of members of the town legislative body are present at a meeting. Eliminates an obsolete reference to a state agency public purchasing statute in municipal sewage law. (Current municipal sewage law refers to a public purchasing statute that was repealed for local

governments by P.L.57-1981.)

#### HB 1025: (LS 6184) Ayres (DI:94) Local government fiscal matters.

Provides for the filing of the original list of warrants or checks that are outstanding in a city or town for more than two years with a city or town fiscal body. (Current law provides for the filing with the local board of finance. However, a statute enacted during the 1997 session of the general assembly eliminated the city and town boards of finance.) Requires city and town public funds to be invested in depositories approved as depositories of state funds. Provides that the compensation of each appointive officer, deputy, police department, fire department, and other employee of a city must be fixed by the municipal legislative body before August 20. (Current law requires the compensation to be fixed before August 2.) Requires investments of the pension benefits for: (1) members of police departments in certain cities and towns; and (2) members of fire departments in certain cities and towns to be made under the statute regulating public funds deposit and investment powers. Adds the Vanderburgh County levee authority to the list of entities that may pay a claim without a claim voucher signed by the vendor. Provides that the mileage rate allowance for local officials attending a conference is determined by the fiscal body of the unit represented by the official. Eliminates the subsistence allowance for local officials attending a conference. Provides that a local official attending a conference receives a lodging rate in an amount equal to the single room rate. (Current law provides that a local official

receives the same rate that a state employee receives for travel.) Provides that a majority of a safety board constitutes a quorum.

#### **HB 1026:** (LS 6223) Ripley (DI:76) Joint custody.

Requires a court to consider whether joint legal or physical custody, or both, would be in the best interests of the child whenever the court determines child custody in dissolution of marriage cases. Requires the court to consider certain relevant factors when making the joint custody determination. Requires the court to order joint legal or physical custody, or both, whenever the court finds that the award would be in the best interests of the child. (Under current law, it is optional whether a court considers an award of joint custody.)

#### HB 1027: (LS 6186) Ripley (DI:92) Appropriation for Wabash River cleanup.

Appropriates \$385,000 for the removal of log jams and trees leaning forty-five (45) degrees or more from the banks of the Wabash River in Adams County.

# HB 1028: (LS 6039) Ripley (DI:51) Payment of court fees by losing party.

Indicates that juror and witness expenses incurred in a criminal proceeding are chargeable to the defendant (unless the defendant is indigent or is acquitted or the information is dismissed) and in a civil proceeding are chargeable to a losing party (unless the losing party is a governmental entity).

HB 1029: (LS 6213) Avery (DI:92) Tax exemption for scholarship income.

Allows an individual taxpayer to subtract that portion of the individual's federal gross income received as a scholarship and used to pay for room and board on campus at a qualified educational organization located in Indiana in the calculation of the individual's Indiana adjusted gross income. (Current federal law excludes scholarship money used to pay for tuition, books, and fees from federal gross income and, therefore, federal adjusted gross income and Indiana adjusted gross income.)

## **HB 1030:** (LS 6114) Stilwell (DI:96) Worker's compensation for seamen.

Provides that the worker's compensation and occupational diseases law applies to seamen on certain excursion boats for injuries and disablements occurring after June 30, 1999. Provides that payments made under the federal Jones Act to a disabled seaman shall be deducted from the total amount paid to the seaman under the worker's compensation and occupational diseases law.

#### HB 1031: (LS 6001) Stilwell (DI:87) Park board membership.

Provides that the county executive and the county fiscal body appoint the members of a county park board. (Current law provides that the judge of the circuit court appoints members in addition to the county executive and the county fiscal body.) Allows a member who was appointed to the county park board by the judge of the circuit court to serve the remainder of the member's term. Specifies the initial terms of members of a newly appointed park board. Specifies that if a county park board's initial appointments are made before July 1, 1999, a subsequent

appointment to a county park board made after June 30, 1999, is not an initial appointment and shall be for a four year term.

#### HB 1032: (LS 6103) Stilwell (DI:92) Constructive trustees.

Provides that if a constructive trust is established, the property that is subject to the trust may not be withheld from those persons legally entitled to the property while an appeal from the constructive trustee's judgment of conviction is pending.

## HB 1033: (LS 6052) Stilwell (DI:96) Railroad employees involved in accidents.

Requires a Class I or Class II railroad company to offer to relieve an employee involved in a train accident from duty for three days with pay and benefits if the accident results in a death or a serious bodily injury. Requires a Class I or Class II railroad company to provide counseling services to an employee involved in a train accident that results in a death or a serious bodily injury. Provides that if an employee requests an extension of the counseling services provided by the railroad company, the railroad shall have a mental health professional certify that the employee does not suffer from posttraumatic stress disorder before the railroad may discontinue counseling services. Makes it a Class C infraction for a railroad company to violate these requirements.

## HB 1034: (LS 6044) Stilwell (DI:2) State textbook funding for school corporations.

Provides an annual state textbook grant to school corporations of \$85 per ADM for

providing textbooks to students. Abolishes the textbook rental program and the school textbook library program. Redefines "textbook" to include the various kinds of instructional materials currently eligible for state reimbursement under the textbook assistance program for students from low income families. Continues the textbook reimbursement program for nonpublic school students from low income families. Requires a school corporation to establish a textbook fund and to appropriate money from the fund to acquire textbooks to loan to all students without charge. Makes conforming changes and transitional provisions.

## **HB 1035:** (LS 6043) Stilwell (DI:2) ISTEP graduation examination.

Provides that a student is not required to pass the grade 10 ISTEP examination in order to graduate from high school. Provides for the placement of an ISTEP+ diploma seal on the high school diploma of a graduate who passes the grade 10 ISTEP examination. Provides that a student who does not pass the grade 10 ISTEP examination may be retested in any school year with the consent of the student's parent. Repeals references to the graduation examination and the obsolete grade 12 examination.

# HB 1036: (LS 6018) Stilwell (DI:44) Adds pickup trucks to local road and street account.

Adds pickup trucks to local road and street account. Changes the basis upon which the auditor of state allocates money from the local road and street account among the counties from passenger car registrations

only to passenger car and pickup truck registrations. Phases in the change over a four year period beginning July 1, 1999.

#### HB 1037: (LS 6104) Stilwell (DI:92) Add certain vehicles to fuel tax distribution.

Specifies that a van, sport utility vehicle, or other motor vehicle is a passenger motor vehicle and not a truck if it is designed primarily for carrying passengers. Replaces the term "passenger car" with "passenger motor vehicle" in the allocation formula for the local road and street account in order to include van and sport utility vehicle registrations in the formula.

#### HB 1038: (LS 6092) Foley (DI:98) Neglect of dependent causing death.

Increases the penalty for neglect of a dependent to a Class A felony if the neglect results in the death of the dependent.

#### HB 1039: (LS 6188) Foley (DI:92) unsupervised estates.

Specifies the requirements for the administration of an estate without court supervision and without the consent of the heirs or devisees. Provides that a court may not require the personal representative to file with the court a copy of the inventory of the estate's assets prepared in the administration of the estate without court supervision. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Probate Code Study Commission.)

#### HB 1040: (LS 6187) Foley (DI:92) inheritance tax affidavit.

Provides that an affidavit stating that no inheritance tax is due after applying the

inheritance tax exemptions may be submitted to a county assessor with a request for a consent to transfer. Provides that the department of state revenue or the county assessor may rely upon the affidavit in determining that the transfer will not jeopardize collection of inheritance tax. Provides that the affidavit may be recorded in the office of the county recorder if the affidavit contains the legal description of the real property in a decedent's estate. Creates a presumption that no inheritance tax is due if the affidavit is properly executed and recorded. Provides that an inheritance tax lien may not attach to real property if the affidavit is properly executed and recorded in the county in which the real property is located unless the department of state revenue obtains an order that an inheritance tax is owed. Repeals a redundant statute concerning the form of an affidavit used to state that no inheritance tax is due. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the probate code study commission.)

#### HB 1041: (LS 6189) Foley (DI:92) inheritance, estate, and transfer tax due dates.

Changes the due date for the inheritance tax, estate tax, and generation-skipping tax from 18 months to 12 months after the date of death. Changes the due date for filing an inheritance tax return from 12 months to 9 months after the date of death. Changes the payment deadline from 12 months to 9 months from the date of death for receiving the 5% inheritance tax discount for early payment. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Probate Code Study Commission.)

HB 1042: (LS 6244) Dickinson (DI:92)

#### Prizes from malfunctioning gaming equipment.

Prohibits a riverboat from refusing to award a player a jackpot or other prize won at a lawful gambling game because the gambling game malfunctioned unless the gambling game was clearly marked "out of order" before the player wagered on the gambling game.

#### HB 1043: (LS 6322) Torr (DI:51) Sexual offenses against a child.

Makes child seduction a Class B felony instead of a Class D felony. Provides that a prosecution for sexual misconduct with a minor, if it is committed by a person who is at least 21 years of age, may be commenced during any period before the alleged victim of the offense reaches 31 years of age. (Currently, the statute of limitations for sexual misconduct with a minor is five years, regardless of the age of the defendant.) Makes a technical correction.

#### HB 1044: (LS 6046) Ayres (DI:101) Lake Michigan marina development commission.

Adds the following members to the marina commission: (1) A member of the general assembly who resides in Lake County. (2) A member of the general assembly who resides in LaPorte County. (3) A member of the general assembly who resides in Porter County. Provides that the legislative members serve one year terms. Prohibits more than two members from being of the same political party or from the same chamber of the general assembly. Provides that the members are to be appointed by the governor.

HB 1045: (LS 6267) Mock (DI:44)

#### Elkhart County innkeeper's tax.

Deletes the requirement that hotels or motels managed by certain members of the innkeeper's tax commission in Elkhart County must have banquet facilities, a restaurant, and a lounge in one complex under common ownership.

#### HB 1046: (LS 6312) Mock (DI:96) Parking permits for pregnant women.

Allows an individual who is certified by a physician as pregnant and expected to deliver the child not later than three months after issuance of the permit to receive a parking permit for persons with physical disabilities. Provides that the permit expires six months after the date of issuance.

#### HB 1047: (LS 6245) Mock (DI:98) Criminal liability of dog owner for injury to law enforcement animal or service animal.

Makes it a Class C misdemeanor for an owner of a dog to fail to restrain the dog if the dog enters property other than the property of the dog's owner and bites or attacks a law enforcement animal or service animal resulting in injury to the law enforcement animal or service animal. Provides that the offense is a Class B misdemeanor if the person has one previous unrelated violation of this section or if the violation results in serious bodily injury to a law enforcement animal or service animal. Provides that the offense is a Class A misdemeanor if the person has more than one previous unrelated violation of this section or if the violation results in injury to a law enforcement animal or service animal to the extent that the animal is no longer capable of continued service as a law

enforcement animal or service animal or dies or is euthanized as a result of the injury. Provides that the existing law regarding impoundment of animals applies to a dog that attacks a law enforcement animal or service animal. Provides that it is a Class A misdemeanor to knowingly or intentionally interfere with the actions of a service animal or to strike, torment, injure, or otherwise mistreat a service animal. (Current law provides that such actions constitute a Class A infraction.)

## HB 1048: (LS 6209) Becker (DI:71) School corporation annual performance report.

Requires a school corporation to publish an annual notice stating: (1) the Internet address at which the annual performance report of the school corporation is available; and (2) that a copy of the report will be provided at no charge to any person requesting it. Requires a school corporation to provide a copy of the report to the Indiana department of education in a format specified by the department. Requires the department to place each report on the Internet and notify each school corporation of the Internet address at which the corporation's report is available.

#### HB 1049: (LS 6363) Becker (DI:73) Full-day kindergarten.

Requires school corporations to provide full day kindergarten. Provides that a student attending kindergarten counts as one student rather than one-half of a student for purposes of state distributions to school corporations. Makes conforming changes.

HB 1050: (LS 6257) Robertson (DI:71) High school diplomas and areas of study.

Requires the Indiana state board of education to adopt rules to establish for public and accredited nonpublic high schools the minimum requirements for a general high school program, a Core 40 high school program, and an Indiana academic honors high school program. Requires public high schools and accredited nonpublic high schools to offer the general high school program, the Core 40 high school program, and the Indiana academic honors high school program established by state board rules. Requires public and accredited nonpublic high schools to give to students who receive a diploma an ISTEP+ diploma seal for receiving a passing score on the ISTEP graduation examination, a Core 40 diploma seal for successful completion of the Core 40 high school program, and an Indiana academic honors diploma seal for successful completion of the Indiana academic honors high school program. Allows governing bodies to offer additional locally developed diploma seal programs. Provides that a student is entitled to receive all diploma seals for which the student qualifies.

# HB 1051: (LS 6290) Robertson (DI:2) Professional development for full day kindergarten.

Creates a kindergarten teacher professional development program, administered by the department of education, to provide continuing education and other professional development activities for teachers in school corporations that conduct or make a commitment to conduct full day kindergarten programs. Requires the program to emphasize the preparation of teachers for the transition from a half day

kindergarten model to an effective full day kindergarten model.

## HB 1052: (LS 6289) Robertson (DI:2) Optional full day kindergarten.

Provides that the governing body of a school corporation may establish a full day, half day, or combination program for kindergarten. For a school corporation that establishes a full day kindergarten program, provides that the parent of an enrolled kindergarten student determines whether the student attends kindergarten for a full or half day.

# HB 1053: (LS 6330) Robertson (DI:2) Alcoholic beverage permits for corporations.

Changes the stockholders' residency requirement for a corporation to obtain an alcoholic beverage wholesaler's, retailer's, or dealer's permit of any type.

# HB 1054: (LS 6438) Torr (DI:71) Employment certificates for students.

Allows an issuing officer to issue a second employment certificate for an employed child who wishes to have two jobs if: (1) the child's second prospective employer provides proof of prospective employment; and (2) the child's parent or the child, if the child is an emancipated minor, certifies that the child will not violate length and time of employment restrictions by working at two jobs. Removes limitations on the hours that a child may work during summer vacation or a similar break at the end of the child's school year when the child is not attending summer school or a similar program. Provides that an issuing officer must keep a copy of each employment certificate issued

to a child until the child becomes eighteen years of age.

HB 1055: (LS 6082) Burton (DI:98) Prohibiting homosexuals from adopting or being foster parents.

Prohibits the division of family and children from issuing a foster home license to a homosexual. Provides that no person who is a homosexual can adopt.

HB 1056: (LS 6323) Leuck (DI:44) Property tax exemption for certain nonprofit organizations.

Provides a property tax exemption for real property that is owned by a nonprofit organization and is under or adjacent to a lake or reservoir created by a dam or control structure owned and operated by a public utility. Requires the organization to be engaged in efforts to protect the environment and the water quality of the lake or reservoir to qualify for the property tax exemption. Provides a property tax exemption for real property that is owned by a nonprofit organization and is used in the organization's efforts to protect the environment and the water quality of the lake or reservoir.

## HB 1057: (LS 6317) Leuck (DI:44) United States flags at half-mast for Veterans Day.

Requires United States flags flown by an agency or office of the state on November 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 to be at half-mast in honor of America's veterans and urges all persons flying flags on these dates to fly the flags at half-mast.

HB 1058: (LS 6358) Denbo (DI:44) Pickup trucks in highway funding.

Changes the basis on which the auditor of state allocates money from the local road and street account among the counties from passenger car registrations only to passenger car and pickup truck registrations. Phases in the change over a four year period beginning July 1, 1999.

### HB 1059: (LS 6345) Denbo (DI:71) Operation of license branches.

Requires a license branch to be in operation at least two days each week in the county seat of each county.

#### HB 1060: (LS 6352) Denbo (DI:2) Canceled school day waiver.

Requires the department of education to grant a waiver for a number of school days canceled by a school superintendent for inclement weather or extraordinary circumstances. Provides a formula to determine the number of days eligible for mandatory waiver that is based on the number of actual instructional minutes provided to students and maintains the equivalent in hours of the 180 student instructional days required by law. (This mandatory waiver is in addition to a waiver that the department of education currently has the option to grant.)

# HB 1061: (LS 6512) Stilwell (DI:71) Bronze Star license plates.

Creates a Bronze Star special recognition license plate. Provides that no fee in addition to regular registration fees may be charged to obtain a Bronze Star license plate.

HB 1062: (LS 6398) Scholer (DI:92) Local infrastructure revolving fund.

Appropriates \$20,000,000 to the local infrastructure revolving fund to be used to provide loans associated with a project under the state infrastructure bank program.

#### HB 1063: (LS 6444) Scholer (DI:2) Special education.

Specifies that the term "corporation" in a special education statute refers to "school corporation".

#### HB 1064: (LS 6621) Mahern (DI:101) Cable television bills.

Requires a bill for cable television service to show certain specified information about the bill. Provides that a cable television service customer has 17 days from the date of the postmark of the initial bill to pay the bill. Provides that a late payment charge for cable television service may not exceed 10% of the first \$3 of the bill plus 3% of the amount over \$3. Provides that a customer is not required to pay a bill that fails to meet the statutory requirements. Prohibits a cable system operator from collecting or attempting to collect a bill that fails to meet the statutory requirements. Provides remedies to a customer against a cable system operator that collects or attempts to collect a bill that fails to meet the statutory requirements.

#### HB 1065: (LS 6526) Mahern (DI:98) Visitation rights.

Prohibits a court from granting visitation rights with a child to a parent who has been convicted of murder of the child's other parent unless the court finds that: (1) the statutory requirements entitling a parent to reasonable visitation under current law are

met; (2) the child is of a reasonable age to agree to the visitation; and (3) the child consents to the visitation.

## HB 1066: (LS 6264) Mahern (DI:92) various probate and trust matters.

Reduces the time for giving notice to creditors from three months to one month. Reduces the period for barred claims from one year to nine months. Changes various probate deadlines and periods from five months to three months, including deadlines concerning claims and filings to enforce liens regarding real estate. Eliminates the requirement that a newspaper notice be published when actual notice to the last known address is given. Eliminates the actual notice and the hearing requirement in a supervised estate when all persons entitled to share in the final distribution of the estate waive notice and consent to the final account and distribution. Allows a personal representative to provide notice by publication if a person entitled to share in the residue of the estate cannot be located. Increases the allowance that a surviving spouse is entitled to receive from a decedent's estate from \$15,000 to \$25,000 with respect to decedents who die after June 30, 1999. Provides that the allowance may be claimed against the personal property of the decedent or a residence that is a part of the decedent's estate, or a combination of both. Provides that if the personal property of the decedent and a residence that is a part of the decedent's estate are worth less than \$25,000, the difference may be claimed against real estate in the decedent's estate. Specifies that: (1) when there is no conflict of interest between the guardian of the estate of a protected person and the protected

person, an order binding the guardian of the estate binds the protected person; and (2) orders binding a guardian of the person bind the ward of a guardian of the estate, if a guardian of the estate has not been appointed. Removes language that causes an ambiguity. Provides that under certain circumstances, a devisee in a protected person's will may elect to: (1) receive the value of property specifically devised in the will but transferred by the guardian before the protected person's death as a general devise; or (2) receive the proceeds of the sale or transfer as a specific devise. Increases from \$5,000 to \$10,000 the maximum amount of debt owed to a minor and the maximum value of property belonging to a minor that may be paid or delivered to a person having the care and custody of the minor without giving a bond or an order of the court. Expands the ability of a trustee to invest in life insurance contracts by removing provisions limiting the trustee's expenditures in annual premiums to 25% of the trust income in the preceding calendar year. Provides that a person who is a necessary party to the issue or record and whose interest is adverse to an estate is a competent witness as to matters against the estate in: (1) a proceeding to contest the validity of a will; (2) a proceeding to contest the validity of a trust; or (3) any proceeding after the person has made a prima facie case by other evidence. (Current law provides that the person is not a competent witness as to matters against the estate in a suit or proceeding: (1) in which an executor or administrator is a party; (2) involving matters that occurred during the lifetime of the decedent; and (3) where a judgment or allowance may be made or rendered for or against the estate represented

by the executor or administrator.) (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the probate code study commission.)

#### HB 1067: (LS 6162) Mahern (DI:92) uniform prudent investor act.

Adopts the Uniform Prudent Investor Act. Requires a trustee to administer a trust prudently by exercising care, skill, and caution; by using the trustee's skills and expertise; by incurring only appropriate costs in investing assets; and by diversifying the investments of the trust unless circumstances or the provisions of the trust require otherwise. Requires the trustee to be loyal to the trust and to treat co-beneficiaries impartially. Allows the trustee to delegate investment and management functions to an agent if the trustee exercises reasonable care, skill, and caution in selecting an agent, in establishing the scope of the delegation, and in periodically reviewing the agent's actions. Makes a trustee immune from liability for the actions of an agent acting within the scope of agency if the trustee has exercised reasonable care, skill, and caution. Creates a duty between an agent and a beneficiary. Subjects an agent to the jurisdiction of Indiana if the agent accepts the delegation of investment and management functions of a trust subject to Indiana law. Makes conforming amendments. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the probate code study commission.)

## HB 1068: (LS 6525) Mahern (DI:77) Regulation of ephedrine products.

Provides, with certain exceptions, that a product that contains ephedrine may only be dispensed under a physician's or an

advanced practice nurse's prescription. Provides that ephedrine products that meet certain requirements may be sold without a prescription. Requires the Indiana board of pharmacy to adopt standards to determine if an over the counter product that contains ephedrine meets marketing and labeling requirements. Makes violation of the ephedrine requirements a Class B misdemeanor.

# HB 1069: (LS 6220) Frenz (DI:98) Parental restitution orders in juvenile delinquency cases.

Allows a court in a juvenile delinquency dispositional order to order the parent, guardian, or custodian of a child found to be a delinquent child to pay restitution to the child's victim if the victim provides reasonable evidence of the victim's loss, which the parent, guardian, or custodian may challenge at the dispositional hearing. (Current law allows the court to order the child to pay restitution but not the parent, guardian, or custodian.)

# HB 1070: (LS 6295) Frenz (DI:2) High school diplomas, seals, and programs of study.

Requires the Indiana state board of education to adopt rules to establish, for public and accredited nonpublic high schools, the minimum requirements for a general high school program, a Core 40 high school program, and an Indiana academic honors high school program. Requires public high schools and accredited nonpublic high schools to offer the general high school program, the Core 40 high school program, and the Indiana academic honors high school program established by

Indiana state board of education rules. Requires public and accredited nonpublic high schools to give to students who receive a diploma an ISTEP+ diploma seal for receiving a passing score on the ISTEP graduation examination, a Core 40 diploma seal for successful completion of the Core 40 high school program, and an Indiana academic honors diploma seal for successful completion of the Indiana academic honors high school program. Allows governing bodies to offer additional locally developed diploma seal programs. Provides that a student is entitled to receive all diploma seals for which the student qualifies.

#### HB 1071: (LS 6286) Bailey (DI:69) Desert Shield and Desert Storm bonus.

Provides for a bonus to be paid to a member of the armed forces of the United States if the member: (1) was a resident of Indiana for at least six months immediately before the member's enlistment, induction, or call to active duty in the armed forces of the United States; (2) was on active duty during Operation Desert Shield or Operation Desert Storm; and (3) served after July 31, 1990, and before August 1, 1991. Allows for certain surviving next of kin to receive the bonus if a member of the armed forces of the United States who is eligible to receive the bonus is deceased. Specifies that the amount of the bonus is: (1) \$300 for a member of the armed forces who qualifies; (2) \$600 for a member of the armed forces who qualifies and was awarded a Purple Heart decoration or received a disability rating of at least 10% because the person was injured while on active duty; and (3) \$1,000 for the next of kin of a member of the armed forces who qualifies and was killed while on active

duty. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the military and veterans affairs commission.)

#### HB 1072: (LS 6284) Bailey (DI:69) Property tax deductions for disabled veterans.

Allows a disabled veteran to qualify for certain property tax deductions if the veteran's disability is evidenced by: (1) a pension certificate, an award of compensation, or a disability compensation check issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; or (2) a certificate of eligibility issued by the Indiana department of veterans' affairs after the Indiana department of veterans' affairs has determined that the veteran's disability qualifies the veteran to receive a deduction. (Current law does not allow a veteran's disability to be evidenced by a certificate of eligibility issued by the Indiana department of veterans' affairs.) (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the military and veterans affairs commission.)

# HB 1073: (LS 6283) Bailey (DI:69) Tuition exemptions for relatives of certain veterans.

Specifies that the following persons are eligible to receive tuition exemptions as the relatives of veterans: (1) A person who is a pupil at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Children's Home if the person was admitted to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Children's Home because the person was related to a member of the armed forces of the United States. (2) A person whose mother or father served in the armed forces of the United States if the mother or father received the Purple Heart decoration or was wounded as a result of enemy action and received any discharge or

separation from the armed forces other than a dishonorable discharge. (3) A person whose mother or father served before July 1, 1999, in the armed forces of the United States during any war or performed duty equally hazardous that was recognized by the award of a service or campaign medal of the United States if the mother or father suffered a service connected death or disability and received any discharge or separation from the armed forces other than a dishonorable discharge. Provides that a person may not receive a tuition exemption unless the person: (1) is eligible to pay the resident tuition rate at the college or university the person will attend as determined by the college or university; and (2) possesses the requisite academic qualifications. Provides that the tuition exemption is for 124 semester credit hours. (Current law provides that the tuition exemption is for a four year period.) Makes it a Class A misdemeanor for a person to knowingly or intentionally submit a false or misleading application or other document to receive a tuition exemption. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the military and veterans affairs commission.)

# HB 1074: (LS 6527) Bailey (DI:58) Innkeepers tax in Jackson County.

Changes the membership requirements of the Jackson County convention and visitor commission created under the uniform county innkeeper's tax law. Provides that Jackson County may use money from the innkeeper's tax for industrial and economic development.

HB 1075: (LS 6516) Denbo (DI:2) IHSAA advisory council and board membership.

Establishes the Indiana advisory council on secondary school activities. Provides membership and responsibilities for the council. Provides that the Indiana High School Athletic Association (IHSAA) board of directors must include principals, athletic directors, and coaches with certain qualifications. Provides that a school in a school corporation may not be a member of or pay money to the association for any purpose unless the board of directors of the association complies with certain requirements concerning the advisory council and membership of the association board.

### HB 1076: (LS 6586) Cheney (DI:100) Cemetery protection.

Requires that the person effecting disinterment, removal, and reinterment of a grave give 60 days written notice to the decedent's next of kin and publish the notice in a newspaper of general circulation. Requires the person effecting the removal of graves to file a certificate of removal facts with the county recorder in the county from which the graves were removed and the county in which reinterment is made. Requires that the certificate of removal facts list information contained on the gravestone or other markers, such as the birth date, death date, and family name. Requires that all expenses associated with the disinterment, removal, and reinterment be paid by the person effecting the disinterment, removal, and reinterment. Requires the person effecting the disinterment, removal, and reinterment to ensure that the site for reinterment is suitable and reasonably accessible to relatives of the decedent. Requires that disinterment,

removal, and reinterment be performed under the supervision and direction of the county executive or the county executive's designee. Requires that due care be taken to furnish suitable coffins or boxes for reinterring human remains and to remove, protect, and replace all gravestones or other markers.

### HB 1077: (LS 6373) Kromkowski (DI:96) Judges' pension issues.

Provides that a person who serves as a full-time magistrate in an Indiana court after June 30, 1999, is a participant in the judges' 1985 benefit system. Provides for prior service credit in the judges' 1985 benefit system for participants who are full-time magistrates. Provides that a participant in the judges' 1977 benefit system or a participant in the judges' 1985 benefit system is eligible for normal retirement benefits if the participant is at least 55 years of age and the participant's age in years plus years of service is at least 85. Allows participants in the judges' retirement system to purchase service credit at full actuarial cost for prior service in PERF covered positions other than full-time commissioner, magistrate, or referee. Requires the monthly benefits payable to participants, survivors, and beneficiaries under the 1985 judges' retirement system to be increased by the same percentages and under the same conditions as monthly benefits are increased for members of PERF. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the pension management oversight committee.)

#### HB 1078: (LS 6210) Kromkowski (DI:75) Elections.

Makes the following changes in election law: (1) Amends the definitions of "active voter" and "political action committee". (2) Provides that the county executive may establish a precinct that is located within a university campus without regard to the number of registered voters permitted by law if less than 40% of the active voters entitled to vote in the precinct voted in the last primary election. (Current law allows the precinct to be established without regard to the number of voters if less than 40% voted in the last general election.) (3) Changes the procedures for breaking a tie vote in an election for the governing board of a school corporation in Tippecanoe County. (4) Permits certain towns to expand the size of the town legislative body. (5) Allows county election board or voter registration board members certain lodging allowances. (6) Contains various changes in the law regarding placement of candidates on the ballot. (7) Makes certain changes with respect to voter registration forms and procedures. (8) Includes language from federal regulations relating to the federal disclaimer law in Indiana's election disclaimer statute. (9) Makes various changes relating to absentee voting. (10) Makes other technical changes in election law. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the census data advisory commission.)

# HB 1079: (LS 6217) Kromkowski (DI:75) Voting systems.

Provides that statutes relating to ballot card stubs do not apply to an optical scan ballot card voting system. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the census data advisory commission.)

## HB 1080: (LS 6216) Kromkowski (DI:75) Voter registration.

Provides that if a county voter registration office receives information that a voter has moved to a new address, but the information does not include a forwarding address, the voter registration office must place the voter on the inactive roles at the former address and is not required to send the voter a notice at the undeliverable address concerning this change. Requires a voter's registration to be canceled 30 days after the second general election that occurs after the voter appears on the inactive roles and at which the voter has not voted. Requires the election division to conduct a residency confirmation and outreach program at least once before each general election. (Current law permits, but does not require, this program to be conducted annually.) Appropriates money from the state general fund to the election division for the voter residency confirmation and outreach programs. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the census data advisory commission.)

# HB 1081: (LS 6091) Kromkowski (DI:73) State police retiree health insurance.

Provides that the state police department must pay the premiums for health insurance coverage for each retired police employee and each retired civilian employee of the state police department who is participating in the state police department's insurance plan. Establishes the state police retiree health insurance fund to pay for the insurance coverage for retired employees. Requires each active state police department employee to pay a percentage of the employee's salary into the fund. Requires

each retired state police department employee participating in the insurance plan to contribute each month an amount equal to 1% of the retired employee's monthly pension benefit.

#### HB 1082: (LS 6215) Kromkowski (DI:75) Campaign finance filings.

Specifies that the expenditure coding system required to be developed by the election division must provide for not more than ten expenditure codes. Removes the cross indexing requirement for the campaign finance filing and coding system. Provides that the deadline for the election division or a county election board to develop an expenditure coding system is January 1, 2000, rather than January 1, 1999. Provides that the expenditure coding requirement applies to campaign finance reports required to be filed after December 31, 1999, rather than March 31, 1999. Provides that the election division computer system must be able to accept campaign finance reports by electronic submission beginning January 1, 2000, rather than July 1, 1999. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the census data advisory commission.)

# HB 1083: (LS 6372) Kromkowski (DI:96) State police pension cost of living allowance.

Provides a 2% cost of living adjustment to a member of the 1987 state police benefit system who retired or was disabled after July 1, 1987, and before July 2, 1998. Provides that the amount of the basic supplemental pension benefit for an eligible retired member of the state police pre-1987 benefit system is equal to 50% of the total increase occurring after the retiree's retirement date in

the pension benefits to be received by an employee retiring from the state police department after July 1, 1970, with 20 years of active service. (Current law provides that the supplemental benefit equals 50% of the difference between the member's pension and the pension benefits of an employee retiring with 20 years of active service.) Provides that the maximum supplemental pension benefit that a retired member of the state police pre-1987 benefit system may receive is 100% of the total increase occurring after the retiree's retirement date in the pension benefits of a retired employee with 20 years of service. Provides a cost of living adjustment to a retired or disabled member of the state police pre-1987 benefit system equal to the greater of: (1) the supplemental benefit that will accrue to the member between July 1, 1999, and July 1, 2000; or (2) 2% for a member who retired or was disabled after July 1, 1984, and before July 2, 1998, 3% for a member who retired or was disabled after July 1, 1976, and before July 2, 1984, or 4% for a member who retired or was disabled before July 2, 1976.

#### HB 1084: (LS 6374) Kromkowski (DI:96) PERF vesting for elected county officials.

Allows an elected county official who is limited by the Constitution of the State of Indiana to no more than eight years in office in a 12 year period to vest in the public employees' retirement fund after serving eight years. Makes an elected county official who is limited to two terms in a 12 year period and who has vested in the public employees' retirement fund eligible for normal retirement at 65 years of age. Allows an elected county official limited to two

terms in a 12 year period who has prior or subsequent service in the public employees' retirement fund to retire earlier than 65 years of age if other qualifications are met.

#### HB 1085: (LS 6530) Kromkowski (DI:87) County commissioner election districts.

Provides that the county executive in all counties other than Marion County shall draw county commissioner districts that are compact, contain equal population, are composed of contiguous territory, include whole townships if possible, and do not cross precinct lines. Provides that the new districts are to be drawn in 2001.

#### HB 1086: (LS 6212) Kromkowski (DI:75) Campaign finance.

Defines the "nomination date" for candidates nominated other than in a primary election or a convention. Specifies campaign finance report filing requirements by reference to the nomination date of the candidates. Provides that campaign finance reports may be filed by electronic mail under certain conditions. Authorizes, but does not require, an election agency to receive campaign finance reports by fax. Specifies the filing deadline for large contribution reports. Repeals the existing large contribution reporting statute and replaces it with a large contribution statute based on federal law. Provides that a large contribution report may be filed by fax. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the census data advisory commission.)

# HB 1087: (LS 6540) Lutz L (DI:2) Sampling alcoholic beverages.

Provides that alcoholic beverage retailers may allow customers to sample limited

quantities of wines (if the retailer holds a two-way permit) or wines, liquors, liqueurs, and cordials (if the retailer holds a three-way permit) on the retailer's premises and during regular business hours. Provides that package liquor stores may allow customers to sample limited quantities of liquors at the store during regular business hours.

# HB 1088: (LS 6669) Kuzman (DI:51) Sheriff's department layoff procedures.

Requires the appointing authority of a sheriff's department to lay off members of the department in reverse of the order in which the members were hired. Requires that laid off members of the sheriff's department must be reinstated: (1) before any new member may be appointed; and (2) in reverse of the order in which the members were laid off. Provides that a member's right to reinstatement ends on the earlier of the date that is: (1) 20 calendar days after the date notice of reinstatement was sent to the member, if the member has failed to accept reinstatement; or (2) three years after the date a member's layoff begins.

#### **HB 1089:** (LS 6457) Kuzman (DI:71) Binding arbitration for teachers.

Permits a permanent teacher to elect either binding arbitration on the issue of cancellation of the teacher's indefinite teaching contract or to have the school board determine the issue. Provides a notice and hearing procedure for the nonrenewal of a nonpermanent teacher.

#### HB 1090: (LS 6717) Torr (DI:69) Tort claims, comparative fault, and suicide.

Establishes rebuttable presumptions under

the law concerning tort claims against the state and political subdivisions of the state and public employees that if the death of or any part of an injury suffered by a person occurred while the person was committing or attempting to commit suicide while under the custodial care or control of a governmental entity: (1) the person's contributory fault is greater than the fault of the governmental entity, a public employee acting within the scope of the employee's employment, or any other person whose fault proximately contributed to the claimant's damages; and (2) the person, in taking the first step toward the commission or attempted commission of suicide, knowingly and voluntarily waived the person's or the person's representative's right to recover damages sustained by the person during the commission or attempted commission of suicide. Establishes rebuttable presumptions in actions based on fault that if the death of or any part of an injury suffered by a person occurred while the person was committing or attempting to commit suicide while under the custodial care or control of another person: (1) the person's contributory fault is greater than the fault of all other persons whose fault proximately contributed to the person's damages; and (2) the person, in taking the first step toward the commission or attempted commission of suicide, knowingly and voluntarily waived the person's or the person's representative's right to recover damages sustained by the person during the commission or attempted commission of suicide.

HB 1091: (LS 6439) Torr (DI:71) Military access to student information.

Requires a high school to provide access to the high school campus or student directory information to official recruiting representatives of the armed forces, the Indiana Air and Army National Guards, and the service academies of the armed forces of the United States.

# HB 1092: (LS 6430) Robertson (DI:51) Court reporting services.

Imposes restrictions on who may take a deposition for use in a proceeding in an Indiana court.

#### HB 1093: (LS 6182) Kromkowski (DI:73) Public pension funds.

Provides that the annuity savings account of a member of the public employees' retirement fund (PERF) or the teachers' retirement fund (TRF) shall be valued as of the valuation date coinciding with or preceding the member's date of retirement for any portion annuitized and shall be valued as of the last valuation date, plus any contributions since that date, for any portion distributed in a lump sum. Provides that the PERF board and the TRF board shall suspend a person's fund membership and shall pay the person the annuity savings account if the member has not performed any service in a covered position during the past two years, is not vested, and has a total benefit value of less than \$200. Allows PERF and TRF to pay an estimated retirement benefit to a member under certain circumstances. Provides that after a member's actual retirement benefit is calculated, the fund shall temporarily adjust the member's benefit to reconcile any underpayment or overpayment that resulted

from the payment of estimated benefits. Allows a member of PERF or TRF to designate a new beneficiary under certain circumstances. Allows a member of PERF or TRF to elect to begin receiving the member's pension benefit but to leave the member's annuity savings account invested until a later date. Continues to use an earnings limit prepared under federal Social Security laws to determine how much a PERF or TRF member who is receiving benefits may earn in a fund-covered position before the member's benefits are suspended and the member is reinstated into active membership, but specifies the period within which the limit is applied. Provides for an automatic suspension of benefits if a member is reemployed within 90 days of retirement. Requires an employer to submit a PERF member's membership records to the PERF board not more than 30 days after the member is hired. Provides that if an employer does not provide the PERF board with employees' membership records or other reports or payments within 30 days after the records, reports, or payments are due, the PERF board may fine the employer \$100 for each day the records, reports, or payments are late. Allows the auditor of state to withhold this penalty from money payable by the state to the employer. Allows certain individuals to claim service credit in PERF if the individuals: (1) were erroneously enrolled in PERF before 1980; (2) made contributions to PERF; and (3) were subsequently denied all or part of the service credit for a position that would otherwise be covered by PERF. Allows PERF members to purchase service credit at actuarial cost for their prior service in positions covered by the 1925 fund, the 1937 fund, or the 1953 fund if they did not

vest in any of those funds. Provides that TRF members may purchase service credit for private school teaching after one year of credited service in TRF. (Current law provides that the private school service credit may be purchased only after the TRF member has ten years of credited service in TRF.) Provides that a TRF member who purchases service credit for private school teaching may not claim the service credit until the member has at least ten years of credited service in TRF. (These changes would make the provisions concerning purchase of private school service credit consistent with provisions concerning the purchase of other forms of service credit.) Provides that private school teaching credit may be claimed for teaching kindergarten through postsecondary school. Allows a member of TRF to take up to one year of adoption leave. Provides that if a town establishes a police department or becomes a city, the age requirements and physical and mental examination requirements of the 1977 fund do not prohibit a police officer employed by the municipality from becoming a member of the 1977 fund. Provides that if a member of the 1977 fund requests a hearing concerning a determination of impairment, the local police or firefighter pension board must hold the hearing within 90 days after the member's request and must make a determination within 30 days after the hearing. Allows members of the judges' retirement system to purchase service credit at full actuarial cost for prior service in an Indiana public employees' retirement fund. Provides that for purposes of the 1977 fund provisions concerning line of duty benefits paid to a survivor, the term "line of duty" also includes any action that a fund member,

in the member's capacity as a police officer or firefighter, performs: (1) in the course of controlling or reducing crime or enforcing the criminal law; or (2) while on the scene of an emergency run or on the way to or from the scene. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the pension management oversight commission.)

# HB 1094: (LS 6389) Summers (DI:97) Community residential facilities for developmentally disabled children.

Provides for an annual appropriation to the office of Medicaid policy and planning to fund four community residential facilities for developmentally disabled children in four different geographic areas of Indiana to be established in the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.

#### HB 1095: (LS 6112) Summers (DI:97) children's special health care services.

Requires the state department of health to extend all care, services, and materials to an individual with a pervasive developmental disorder who meets certain criteria as are provided to children with special health care needs. Defines "pervasive developmental disorder".

#### HB 1096: (LS 6537) Oxley (DI:92) Add certain vehicles to fuel tax distribution.

Specifies that a van, sport utility vehicle, or other motor vehicle is a passenger motor vehicle and not a truck if it is designed primarily for carrying passengers. Replaces the term "passenger car" with "passenger motor vehicle" in the allocation formula for the local road and street account in order to include van and sport utility vehicle registrations in the formula.

#### **HB 1097:** (LS 6596) Oxley (DI:92) Appropriation for Indiana Baseball Hall of Fame.

Appropriates \$300,000 to the Vincennes University-Jasper Campus from the state general fund for the Indiana Baseball Hall of Fame.

#### HB 1098: (LS 6083) Dobis (DI:98) Pilot program for collection of child support.

Requires the child support bureau to do the following: (1) Establish a pilot program in Lake County that allows a private organization to assist in collecting delinquent child support obligations. (2) Use guidelines established for state agency contracts to enter into a contract with a private organization to carry out the pilot program. (3) Pay the private organization a contingency fee not to exceed 25% of the total amount collected by the private organization during each quarter. (4) Report to the legislative council regarding the results of the pilot program.

#### HB 1099: (LS 6445) Dobis (DI:2) Alcohol sales on Christmas and election day.

Removes the prohibition against the sale of alcoholic beverages on election days and Christmas Day. Provides that Christmas Day sales must be for on premises consumption.

## HB 1100: (LS 6045) Dobis (DI:2) Alcoholic beverage permit matters.

Makes certain changes concerning permits and sales of alcoholic beverages by wholesalers. Eliminates the requirement of a \$500 surety bond for alcoholic beverage wholesalers, wine bottlers, and alcoholic beverage carriers. Provides that payments required under the alcoholic beverage laws may be made by a check drawn on a business bank account.

#### HB 1101: (LS 6128) GiaQuinta (DI:71) Boys and girls club license plates.

Requires the bureau of motor vehicles to design and issue a special group recognition license plate for the Indiana Boys and Girls Clubs. Provides that a person who is eligible to register a vehicle may obtain an Indiana Boys and Girls Clubs license plate upon completing an application and paying an appropriate fee. Exempts the Indiana Boys and Girls Clubs license plate from sales requirements for special group recognition license plates.

#### HB 1102: (LS 6129) GiaQuinta (DI:71) Korean War veteran license plates.

Creates a Korean War veteran special recognition license plate.

# HB 1103: (LS 6118) GiaQuinta (DI:51) Jury selection.

Indicates that lists of motor vehicle registrations must be used along with voter registration lists in the selection of individuals for jury duty. Eliminates the requirement in certain counties that tax rolls must be used to compile a jury list.

#### HB 1104: (LS 6299) Hasler (DI:2) Non commercial beer and wine

Provides that the alcoholic beverage laws do not prohibit the manufacture of beer or wine that is not offered for sale and is used only for specific personal or noncommercial uses. Provides that a brewer or winery may allow transportation to and consumption of this beer or wine on the licensed premises but may not allow sale of the product on the licensed premises. Allows a person to carry, convey, or consume this beer or wine on or about the licensed premises of a brewer or winery.

#### HB 1105: (LS 6301) Hasler (DI:71) Teacher professional development.

Creates a grant program, administered by the department of education, to provide annual grants of \$200 for each full-time equivalent certified staff member to school corporations for professional development. Requires a school corporation to establish a committee to plan professional development activities before applying for a grant.

# HB 1106: (LS 6486) Hasler (DI:87) Fees for weights and measures.

Deletes a provision prohibiting the state department of health from establishing by rule fees for tests relating to weights and measures. Provides that the state department of health may adopt rules to establish fees for services provided by the state metrology laboratory. Creates the weights and measures fund for the purpose of providing funds for training and equipment for weights and measures inspectors and the state metrology laboratory.

## HB 1107: (LS 6511) Hasler (DI:71) Bronze Star license plate.

Creates a Bronze Star special recognition license plate. Provides that no fee in addition

to regular registration fees may be charged to obtain a Bronze Star license plate.

#### **HB 1108:** (LS 6441) Crosby (DI:77) Mental health insurance parity.

Removes the September 29, 2001, expiration date of a provision stating that if a health coverage plan offers mental illness benefits, the coverage of services for mental illness must have similar treatment limitations or financial requirements as other medical conditions. Provides an exemption from compliance with this provision if compliance would increase the annual premium or rates charged for the policy or health maintenance organization contract by more than four percent per year. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Indiana Commission on Mental Health.)

#### HB 1109: (LS 6605) Crosby (DI:71) Pearl Harbor Survivors license plate.

Exempts a special group recognition license plate issued for a survivor of the attack on Pearl Harbor from minimum license plate sales requirements.

# HB 1110: (LS 6080) Crosby (DI:77) Department of correction drug formulary.

Requires the department of correction to: (1) develop and review any drug formulary it uses for the treatment of mental illness; and (2) have policies and procedures that provide exceptions to the formulary. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Indiana Commission on Mental Health.)

#### HB 1111: (LS 6076) Crosby (DI:77) Mentally ill prisoners.

Requires the department of correction to: (1) prepare a study to accurately determine the number of offenders with a mental illness and the types of treatment provided for offenders with a mental illness who are placed at state correctional facilities, and develop a plan based on the study; (2) apply for and obtain accreditation from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) for the mental health facilities the department operates; and (3) provide progress reports to the Indiana commission on mental health. Appropriates money to the department of correction to contract for an actuarial study and hire additional staff for the Westville Correctional Facility psychiatric unit. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Indiana Commission on Mental Health.)

#### HB 1112: (LS 6334) Grubb (DI:100) Abandoned cemeteries.

Requires a person who discovers buried human remains as a result of land development to notify the department of natural resources not later than two business days after the discovery. Provides that all development must cease until the township board of the township that contains a majority of the property where the human remains were discovered issues a ruling permitting the continuation of development. Requires the township board to base its ruling on a report by the department of natural resources. Provides that if the township board issues a ruling in favor of the continuation of development, the person

effecting the removal of the human remains shall rebury the remains in a suitable site and remove and protect all tombstones or other markers or provide suitable replacements at a cost to be borne by the person effecting the removal.

#### HB 1113: (LS 6529) Grubb (DI:101) Land valuation in eminent domain proceedings.

Defines the fair value of real property as 150% of the highest and best use of the property. Provides that in a proceeding for the condemnation or appropriation of property for public use, a person appointed to appraise the property shall use the fair value of the property as the basis for fixing the amount of compensation, damages, or benefits to be awarded or assessed. Makes conforming amendments to Indiana Code provisions governing eminent domain procedures in general. Makes conforming amendments to Indiana Code provisions governing eminent domain procedures for cities and towns, state government, and the Indiana department of transportation.

# HB 1114: (LS 6706) Klinker (DI:98) Person centered services for individuals with developmental disabilities.

Defines "person centered approach" as the planning and delivery of services to individuals with developmental disabilities based on the developmentally disabled person's future plans rather than on traditional determinations of eligibility for discrete services, with an emphasis on the preferences of the person with a developmental disability and that person's family. Requires the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services to prepare certain reports concerning its activities.

Allows the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services to amend or adopt rules to accomplish the objectives. Provides that these provisions expire July 1, 2010. Appropriates \$75,037,063 to the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services for developmentally disabled client services for 1999-2000 and \$85,822,559 for 2000-2001. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Indiana commission on mental retardation and developmental disabilities.)

## HB 1115: (LS 6131) Klinker (DI:58) College savings tax credit.

Provides a refund of adjusted gross income tax payments made by a taxpayer who deposits money in the Indiana family college savings trust fund for a dependent. Requires the department of state revenue to pay the refund into the individual trust account of the dependent. Makes the refund nontaxable. Provides a penalty for withdrawals from the Indiana family college savings trust fund that are not used for an allowable purpose of the fund.

#### HB 1116: (LS 6699) Klinker (DI:77) Emergency disabilities support plans.

Appropriates \$2 million annually to the emergency support fund for individuals with developmental disabilities for state fiscal year 1999 and state fiscal year 2000. Provides that money in the fund reverts to the state general fund on July 1 of every odd-numbered year. Permits the pooling of money in the fund with money appropriated as a line item in the state budget. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Indiana commission on mental

retardation and developmental disabilities.)

#### HB 1117: (LS 6700) Klinker (DI:77) Developmental disabilities ombudsman.

Establishes a statewide waiver ombudsman program for individuals with waivers under the federal home and community based services program. Requires the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services to administer the ombudsman program. Authorizes the ombudsman to intervene on behalf of customers of waiver services. Makes certain actions that impede the ombudsman's investigation a Class B misdemeanor. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Indiana commission on mental retardation and developmental disabilities.)

# HB 1118: (LS 6073) Klinker (DI:73) Appropriations for agricultural extension services.

Appropriates \$2,800,000 for county agricultural extension educators and an additional \$400,000 for agricultural research and extension for the 1999-2000 state fiscal year.

# HB 1119: (LS 6015) Klinker (DI:73) Higher education expense deduction.

Provides a state adjusted gross income tax deduction of up to \$5,000 for tuition and fees paid for a course of study for the taxpayer or a dependent of the taxpayer at a public or private institution of higher education located in Indiana.

#### HB 1120: (LS 6467) Duncan (DI:69) Failure to obey a traffic signal or stop sign.

Makes it a Class D felony for a person to recklessly fail to obey a traffic control signal or stop sign if the recklessness causes serious bodily injury to another person. Makes it a Class C felony if the recklessness causes the death of another person.

# HB 1121: (LS 6262) Duncan (DI:76) Grandparent visitation.

Expands grandparent visitation rights to allow a grandparent to petition a court for visitation rights with a grandchild regardless of the marital status of the child's parents or whether the child's parents are living. (Current law provides that a grandparent may only petition for grandparent visitation rights with a child if: (1) the child's parent is deceased; (2) the marriage of the child's parents has been dissolved; or (3) the child was born out of wedlock.) Retains the statutory provision that prohibits a paternal grandparent from seeking grandparent visitation rights with a child who is born out of wedlock if the child's father has not established paternity of the child.

# HB 1122: (LS 6316) Duncan (DI:73) Appropriation for the Indiana University cyclotron facility.

Appropriates \$10,000,000 from the state general fund to Indiana University for renovation and alteration of the Indiana University cyclotron facility to allow the cyclotron facility to be used for providing proton radiation therapy.

#### HB 1123: (LS 6623) Duncan (DI:92) Spinal cord and head injury research centers.

Appropriates \$500,000 annually to both the spinal cord and head injury research centers

at the Indiana University Medical Center, Division of Neurosurgery, and the Purdue University School of Veterinary Medicine, Center for Paralysis Research.

#### HB 1124: (LS 6508) Scholer (DI:76) Exploitation of endangered adults.

Raises the penalty for exploitation of a dependent or an endangered adult from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class D felony. Raises the penalty for financial exploitation of an endangered adult or a dependent from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class D felony.

#### HB 1125: (LS 6132) Buck (DI:98) Work release for failure to pay child support.

Allows a court to order a noncustodial parent who has a delinquent child support obligation to be confined to the county jail and temporarily released from custody to participate in a work release program. Requires the noncustodial parent's work release earnings to be used for the payment of the delinquent child support obligation. Provides that the court may order the noncustodial parent's confinement and participation in work release for any period the court considers appropriate. Prohibits the noncustodial parent from receiving any part of the work release earnings until the noncustodial parent's delinquent child support obligation has been satisfied

# HB 1126: (LS 6665) Day (DI:88) Individual development accounts.

Defines a community development corporation, in part, as a private, nonprofit corporation whose principal purpose includes providing housing, social services, or community based economic development

projects that primarily benefit low income individuals and communities. (Current law requires that the corporation provide housing, social services, and community based economic development projects that primarily benefit low income individuals and communities.) Defines a financial institution as a bank, savings association, credit union, or any other institution regulated under Indiana or federal law. (Current law provides that only those institutions regulated under Indiana law are financial institutions.) Decreases from \$1,000 to \$100 the minimum donation a corporation or an individual may make to an individual development account fund in order to qualify for a tax credit. Provides that up to 20% of the first \$100,000 deposited each year from private donations into a community development corporation's individual development account fund may be used by the community development corporation for purposes relating to the administration of individual development accounts.

#### HB 1127: (LS 6539) Day (DI:94) Indiana Family Leave Act.

Allows a person who works for an employer that employs at least 20 employees but not more than 49 employees to take family leave to be with the person's family for the birth, adoption, or serious illness or injury of the person's child or the serious illness or injury of the person's parent or spouse. Protects the employee's employment and benefit rights.

#### HB 1128: (LS 6588) Goeglein (DI:92) Bureau of motor vehicles funding.

Prohibits money collected for the motor

vehicle highway account fund from being used to augment the budget of the bureau of motor vehicles commission. Provides that a commercial driving school approved by the commission is a qualified person that may contract with the commission to provide driving tests at a walk-up location. Appropriates \$44,396,665 from the state general fund to the motor vehicle highway fund to repay the amounts used to augment the budget of the bureau of motor vehicles commission since 1988.

## HB 1129: (LS 6740) Frenz (DI:51) Fees from deferred prosecutions.

Requires a court to collect an alcohol and drug offense diversion fee of \$200 in each case in which prosecution is conditionally deferred, deferred, or subject to a pretrial diversion and in which the court determines that the use or abuse of alcohol, drugs, or harmful substances was a contributing factor or an element of the offense and the defendant is not indigent. Requires the fees to be distributed to the state drug free communities fund.

## HB 1130: (LS 6747) Frenz (DI:71) Use of mopeds by suspended drivers.

Prohibits a person from operating a motorized bicycle if the person's driver's license or permit is revoked or suspended.

#### HB 1131: (LS 6722) Frenz (DI:77) Personal needs allowance.

Increases the monthly personal needs allowance to at least \$60 beginning July 1, 1999, for: (1) elderly, blind, and disabled individuals residing in county homes who receive residential care assistance from the

state; (2) other individuals receiving residential care assistance from the state who reside in room and board facilities; (3) Medicaid eligible individuals receiving care in hospitals or nursing facilities; and (4) Medicaid eligible individuals residing in community residential facilities for the developmentally disabled. (Current law provides that the monthly personal needs allowance for these individuals may not be less than \$28.50 or more than \$35.)

#### HB 1132: (LS 6598) Denbo (DI:92) Allocation of national forest revenues.

Allocates money received from the United States government under a payment law to the schools located in a county containing federally owned land that generates revenue shared with the state. Provides that the school corporation shall deposit the money into the school corporation's general fund.

#### HB 1133: (LS 6599) Denbo (DI:92) Casino gaming in West Baden and French Lick.

Prohibits land based casinos in Indiana except for a casino subject to a tribal-state compact. Requires the state to enter a tribal-state compact to permit casino gambling on Indian lands in French Lick and West Baden.

# HB 1134: (LS 6597) Denbo (DI:92) Prohibits gambling on the Internet.

Makes Internet gambling a Class B misdemeanor. Makes providing gambling through the Internet a Class D felony. Requires an interactive computer service to discontinue its service if it is notified by a law enforcement agency that the service is being used to promote professional

gambling. Requires an interactive computer service to block access to a site used to promote professional gambling.

#### HB 1135: (LS 6603) Denbo (DI:2) High school diplomas.

Provides for issuance of a high school diploma upon satisfaction of minimum requirements for high school graduation and an enhanced diploma for successful completion of the grade 10 ISTEP examination. Provides that a student who does not pass the grade 10 ISTEP examination may be retested in any school year with the consent of the student's parent. Repeals references to the graduation examination and the obsolete grade 12 examination.

#### HB 1136: (LS 6688) Murphy (DI:77) Attorney general civil actions.

Requires that, unless directed by the general assembly, money collected on behalf of the state or a state agency from a civil action prosecuted by the attorney general shall be deposited in the state general fund and that, as part of the civil action, the attorney general may not require the respondent to spend money for specific purposes.

#### HB 1137: (LS 6483) Murphy (DI:69) Jury service and physicians.

Allows licensed physicians to be excused from acting as jurors.

#### HB 1138: (LS 6753) Cheney (DI:75) School board ballots.

Moves the ballot location of candidates for school board elections to immediately

follow the location of candidates for partisan offices.

#### HB 1139: (LS 6637) Cook (DI:77) Personal needs allowance.

Provides that certain elderly or disabled individuals who reside in a county home, room and board assistance facility, hospital, nursing facility, or community residential facility for the developmentally disabled are allowed to retain a monthly personal allowance of \$62.35 beginning July 1, 1999. Requires the monthly personal allowance amount to be adjusted before October 1, 1999, and annually thereafter using the Consumer Price Index.

#### HB 1140: (LS 6561) Cook (DI:2) Period of silent reflection in schools.

Requires school corporations to establish a daily period of quiet reflection of not more than one minute in length at the beginning of each school day to enable students to reflect on the anticipated activities of the day. Requires participation of all students. Establishes that the period of quiet reflection is not intended to be a religious service or exercise and may not be conducted as a religious service or exercise. Repeals the current law providing local option silent prayer or meditation in public school classrooms.

## HB 1141: (LS 6739) Cook (DI:100) Posting notice in bank lobbies.

Requires in every bank lobby, the posting of a notice presenting certain information about joint accounts, payable on death accounts, and power of attorney accounts. Requires an officer, employee, or agent of a bank, before opening a joint account, a payable on death account, or a power of attorney account for an individual and upon the request of the individual, to provide the individual with a printed notice that contains a message about those accounts and to read or paraphrase the message to ensure that the individual understands the message.

#### HB 1142: (LS 6777) Cook (DI:78) Air contaminants from animal rendering plants.

Authorizes the local board of health of a county falling within certain population parameters to determine whether an odor emitted by an animal rendering plant located within the county causes unreasonable interference with the comfortable enjoyment of life and property. Authorizes the state veterinarian to suspend or revoke the license of the animal rendering plant if the local board of health certifies that an air contaminant emitted by the animal rendering plant causes unreasonable interference with the comfortable enjoyment of life and property.

#### HB 1143: (LS 6376) GiaQuinta (DI:101) Partial SSN on voter registration form.

Requires an applicant to provide the last four digits of the applicant's Social Security number on a voter registration form.

#### HB 1144: (LS 6954) Gregg (DI:92) Personal representative in intestate estate.

Provides that unless the spouse and a parent of the decedent agree to waive the limitation, a court may not appoint the decedent's spouse or a parent of the decedent to be the administrator of the decedent's estate if: (1) an interested person petitions

for the appointment of an administrator for the estate of a person dying intestate; and (2) a petition to dissolve the marriage of the decedent and the decedent's spouse is pending in an Indiana court or the court of another state.

#### HB 1145: (LS 6676) Gregg (DI:88) Licensure of home health care administrators.

Requires an individual who will administer a home health agency to obtain a health facility and home health agency administrator's license under the same procedure currently used to license health facility administrators. Alters the composition of the Indiana state board of health facility administrators by removing two administrators of licensed proprietary health facilities and one administrator of a licensed nonproprietary health facility and adding two administrators of licensed proprietary home health agencies and one administrator of a licensed nonproprietary home health agency. Makes conforming changes.

## HB 1146: (LS 6752) Cheney (DI:69) Suspension of driving privileges.

Provides that if: (1) a person is imprisoned for operating a vehicle or motorboat while intoxicated; and (2) the court recommends the suspension of the person's driving privileges, the court may recommend that the suspension of the person's driving privileges not commence until after the person completes the person's fixed term of imprisonment.

### HB 1147: (LS 6520) Villalpando (DI:69) Wrongful death.

Provides that if the death of an unmarried adult individual without dependents is caused by the wrongful act or omission of another person, only the personal representative of the adult individual may maintain an action against the person whose wrongful act or omission caused the death of the adult individual. Provides that the damages that may be recovered in an action include: (1) reasonable medical, hospital, funeral, and burial expenses; and (2) loss of the adult individual's love and companionship. Specifies that damages other than reasonable medical, hospital, funeral, and burial expenses inure to the exclusive benefit of a parent or child of the adult individual. Provides that in a wrongful death action involving an unmarried adult individual without dependents: (1) the trier of fact must make a separate finding with respect to damages involving the loss of the adult individual's love and companionship until July 1, 2003; and (2) damages that may be recovered for the loss of the adult individual's love and companionship may not exceed \$300,000 before July 1, 2003.

#### HB 1148: (LS 6309) Villalpando (DI:51) Commission on courts.

Changes the expiration date for the commission on courts from June 30, 1999, to June 30, 2003. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the commission on courts.)

#### HB 1149: (LS 6412) Villalpando (DI:51) Court officers.

Adds: (1) three full-time magistrates in Allen County; (2) one full-time magistrate in Clark County; (3) one judge in Elkhart

County; (4) one full-time magistrate in Floyd County; (5) three full-time magistrates and three judges in Lake County; (6) one full-time magistrate in LaPorte County; (7) four judges and ten full-time magistrates in Marion County; (8) four full-time magistrates in St. Joseph County; and (9) three full-time magistrates in Vanderburgh County. Converts the county courts in Dearborn County and Noble County to superior courts. Repeals a provision applicable to the Tippecanoe county court and relocates the provision within the same chapter of the Indiana Code. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the commission on courts.)

#### HB 1150: (LS 6360) Villalpando (DI:51) Court officer salaries.

Increases the total annual salary and related benefits for each: (1) full-time judge of a circuit, superior, municipal, county, or probate court; (2) justice of the supreme court of Indiana; (3) judge of the court of appeals of Indiana; (4) full-time magistrate appointed under IC 33-4-7; (5) prosecuting attorney; and (6) deputy prosecuting attorney. Eliminates the authority of a county to provide a supplemental salary to a judge. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the commission on courts.)

# HB 1151: (LS 6288) Villalpando (DI:69) Alcohol and drug countermeasures fee.

Requires a person who is found to have committed the offense of: (1) operating a tractor-trailer combination or other vehicle recklessly that involved the use of alcohol or a controlled substance; or (2) public intoxication or intoxication upon a common carrier that involved the operation of a vehicle; to pay the \$200 alcohol and drug countermeasures fee. Removes a provision that requires a person's driving privileges to be suspended by a court or the bureau of motor vehicles before the person is required to pay the alcohol and drug countermeasures fee.

#### HB 1152: (LS 6731) Goeglein (DI:77) Warranties on disability assistance devices.

Requires the manufacturer of an assistive device used by an individual with a disability to provide an express warranty of: (1) 90 days for a device with a value of less than \$100 at the time of purchase; (2) 180 days for a device with a value of at least \$100 but less than \$500 at the time of purchase; and (3) one year for a device with a value of \$500 or more. Provides that the effective period of the express warranty does not begin until the consumer first takes possession. Requires the express warranty to require the manufacturer to provide a refund, a new assistive device, or repairs if the consumer reports a nonconformity in the assistive device and returns the nonconforming assistive device to the manufacturer. Prohibits the sale or lease of an assistive device returned for a nonconformity unless full disclosure of the nonconformity is made to the prospective buyer or lessee. Requires the manufacturer of a nonconforming assistive device to provide the consumer with a rental reimbursement of not more than \$20 per day if the repair of the assistive device takes more than ten days, or if the assistive device has been returned for the repair of the same nonconformity on at least two previous occasions. Requires a dealer or lessor to pay

a manufacturer for reimbursement expenses if failure of the dealer or lessor to tender the assistive device in a timely manner was the cause of the manufacturer's failure to repair the device within ten days.

#### HB 1153: (LS 6790) Goeglein (DI:101) Alcohol and drug abuse counselors.

Creates the alcohol and drug abuse counselor section of the social worker, marriage and family therapist, mental health counselor, and alcohol and drug abuse counselor board. Sets qualifications for a licensed clinical alcohol and drug abuse counselor, including obtaining a master's degree, passing nationally standardized examinations, and having experience in alcohol and drug abuse counseling. Sets qualifications for a licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselor, including obtaining a bachelor's degree, passing nationally standardized examinations, and having experience in alcohol and drug abuse counseling. Sets qualifications for a licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselor in training, including obtaining an associate's degree, passing nationally standardized examinations, and having experience in alcohol and drug abuse counseling. Provides that prohibitions on the unlicensed practice of alcohol and drug abuse counseling do not apply to physicians, nurses, psychologists, clergy members, volunteers for or employees of nonprofit organizations under certain circumstances, marriage and family therapists, social workers, mental health counselors, licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors practicing under direct supervision, and licensed drug and alcohol abuse counselors in training while practicing under direct supervision. Makes the

unlicensed practice of alcohol and drug abuse counseling a Class A misdemeanor. Prohibits alcohol and drug abuse counselors from practicing hypnosis and from counseling for the purpose of recovering a memory of child abuse. Makes conforming amendments.

#### HB 1154: (LS 6744) Goeglein (DI:44) Property tax deductions for the elderly.

Increases the property tax deduction for qualifying individuals who are at least 65 years of age from \$1,000 to \$2,000. Makes a conforming amendment to the version of the statute that will become effective March 1, 2001, when the definition of assessed value will change from 33 1/3% of true tax value to 100% of true tax value.

#### HB 1155: (LS 6097) Smith M (DI:92) notice of proposed changes to zoning maps.

Defines an interested party for the purpose of providing notice of zoning proposals. Requires a plan commission to provide notice of a public hearing to amend a zoning ordinance or zoning map to interested parties by certified mail. (Current law provides that the plan commission may by rule determine by what method interested parties are provided notice.)

# HB 1156: (LS 6635) Smith M (DI:58) Fire department appropriations.

Makes an appropriation to certain fire departments of \$400,000 from the state general fund. Requires distributions to the fire departments before June 30, 2000.

# HB 1157: (LS 6653) Smith M (DI:58) Fulton County court house project.

Makes an appropriation of \$1,000,000 from the state general fund for capital expenditures related to the Fulton County courthouse annex project. Requires the distribution to be made before June 30, 2000.

#### HB 1158: (LS 6292) Smith M (DI:94) Town incorporation across county lines.

Requires a town incorporating across county lines to obtain the approval of the county executive of each county that contains a part of the proposed incorporated town. Allows proceedings for incorporation of a town across county boundaries that commenced before July 1, 1999, to obtain only the approval of the county executive of the county that contains all or a major part of the territory sought to be incorporated.

#### HB 1159: (LS 6205) Smith M (DI:69) Conditional early release.

Allows a county jail to release from imprisonment a person convicted of a specified nonviolent misdemeanor if the person posts a surety bond payable to the county and revocable upon any violation of the conditions placed upon release from imprisonment.

#### HB 1160: (LS 6010) Smith M (DI:96) Elimination of some pull service charge fees.

Eliminates the pull service charge fee for low numbered motor vehicle registration license plates.

#### HB 1161: (LS 6504) Kersey (DI:58) State textbook funding for school corporations.

Provides an annual state textbook grant to

school corporations of \$85 per ADM for providing textbooks to students. Abolishes the textbook rental program and the school textbook library program. Redefines "textbook" to include the various kinds of instructional materials currently eligible for state reimbursement under the textbook assistance program for students from low income families. Continues the textbook reimbursement program for nonpublic school students from low income families. Requires a school corporation to establish a textbook fund and to appropriate money from the fund to acquire textbooks to loan to all students without charge. Makes conforming changes and transitional provisions.

## HB 1162: (LS 6775) Kersey (DI:76) Penalties for offenses against minors.

Enhances the penalty for selling or furnishing alcoholic beverages to a minor from a Class C misdemeanor to a Class D felony if the offense results in serious bodily injury to or the death of the minor. Enhances the penalty for contributing to the delinquency of a minor from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class D felony if the offense results in serious bodily injury to or the death of the minor.

# HB 1163: (LS 7001) Kersey (DI:47) Indiana institute on recycling.

Extends the Indiana institute on recycling to June 30, 2001. (Under current law, the institute will terminate June 30, 1999.)

# HB 1164: (LS 6703) Kersey (DI:58) Vigo County innkeepers' tax.

Permits Vigo County to increase its

innkeepers' tax to 5%.

#### HB 1165: (LS 6113) Summers (DI:97) Insurance coverage for autism.

Defines pervasive developmental disorders, including Asperger's syndrome and autism, as neurological conditions for purposes of coverage under group insurance for public employees, group health insurance, and group health maintenance organization contracts. Requires group insurance for public employees, group health insurers, and group health maintenance organization contracts that provide basic health care services to provide coverage for treatment, including therapeutic respite and rehabilitative care, of a pervasive developmental disorder of a child covered under the plan. Limits the required coverage to a maximum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) per year, not to include coverage for treatment of unrelated medical conditions. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the commission on autism.)

#### HB 1166: (LS 6241) Ruppel (DI:98) Law enforcement and children.

Allows information relating to the abuse or neglect of a child that would otherwise be confidential as a privileged communication to be released to the law enforcement agency or county office of family and children that is conducting a child abuse or neglect investigation relating to the child. Requires photographs, x-rays, or physical medical examination reports made with respect to a child who is the subject of a child in need of services investigation to be made available to an appropriate law enforcement agency

for use in a child abuse or neglect investigation or a proceeding relating to the subject matter of the report.

#### HB 1167: (LS 6252) Ruppel (DI:44) College contribution income tax credit.

Increases the maximum income tax credit for contributions by individuals to Indiana colleges from \$100 to \$200 for single returns and from \$200 to \$400 for joint returns.

#### HB 1168: (LS 6421) Ruppel (DI:69) Distribution of court fees.

Makes the following changes to the distribution of criminal costs fees, infraction or ordinance violation costs fees, civil costs fees, small claims costs fees, and deferred prosecution fees: (1) Reduces from 55% to 50% the percentage of the fees that the clerk of a city or town court semiannually distributes to the auditor of state as the state share. (2) Increases from 25% to 30% the percentage of the fees that the city or town fiscal officer retains as the city or town share.

### HB 1169: (LS 6300) Ruppel (DI:87) Insurance for volunteer firefighters.

Requires a unit to purchase an insurance policy to provide a weekly benefit for total disability of not less than \$250 for a maximum of 260 weeks. Provides that a unit's insurance policy must pay a volunteer firefighter not less than \$150,000 if the firefighter becomes totally and permanently disabled for a continuous period of not less than 260 weeks as a result of an injury from smoke inhalation that occurred in performance of the firefighter's duties.

Provides that a policy of insurance purchased by a unit may provide for: (1) the extension of the weekly benefit amount for total disability after the expiration of 260 weeks, for the life of the member with or without the benefits for partial and permanent disability; and (2) the coordination of the member's other benefits; where a disability prevents a member from performing any reasonable employment. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on local government issues.)

#### HB 1170: (LS 6695) Ruppel (DI:73) Appropriation for the renovation of the Wabash County fairgrounds.

Appropriates \$400,000 from the state general fund for the renovation of the Wabash County fairgrounds and fairground buildings.

### HB 1171: (LS 6256) Ruppel (DI:101) Tanning facility license fees.

Lowers the biennial license fee for tanning facilities from \$200 to \$100. Establishes a tanning device fee of: (1) \$50 per tanning device for each tanning device over one that a tanning facility owns or operates, when a facility owns or operates up to seven tanning devices; or (2) \$400 when a tanning facility owns or operates more than seven tanning devices.

## HB 1172: (LS 6961) Scholer (DI:71) Obsolete statutes and school report cards.

Revises the reporting requirements for ISTEP and SAT test scores for school corporation annual performance reports and benchmarks to reflect current test scoring

methods. Allows a school corporation to use larger type and graphics when publishing the annual performance report and provides a method to compute costs for publication of the report. Allows a school corporation to appoint assistant or deputy treasurers and provides that the term "treasurer" includes an assistant or a deputy treasurer. Allows a school corporation to adopt textbooks that do not appear on the state adoption list without seeking a waiver from the Indiana state board of education. Repeals the provision requiring a waiver from the department of education to adopt a textbook that does not appear on the state adoption list. Repeals provisions for the following programs that have expired, have not been funded, or are not in compliance with federal law: (1) Inclusion school pilot program. (2) Teacher quality and professional improvement program. (3) Compulsory attendance exception. (4) Governor's scholars academy. (5) Innovative education grant program. (6) Art education grant program. (7) Committee on educational attitudes, motivation, and parental involvement. (8) Readiness testing. (9) Student services summer institute. (10) Early childhood, preschool, and latch key pilot programs. (11) Anti-gang counseling pilot program. Removes references to repealed statutes from related sections.

### HB 1173: (LS 6228) Dobis (DI:73) Transfer of county welfare costs to state.

Eliminates property tax levies for public welfare, except for property tax levies needed to repay loans and bonds issued to fund expenditures made before January 1, 2000, and levies imposed to support county homes. Transfers responsibility for funding

welfare services to the state. Provides that each county office of family and children is part of the division of family and children. Eliminates welfare reporting related to the county auditor. Establishes the human services committee to prepare any legislation needed to implement the transfer of responsibilities from the counties to the state.

### HB 1174: (LS 6749) Mahern (DI:44) Police officers' and firefighters' pensions.

Allows police officers and firefighters hired after April 30, 1977, and before May 25, 1977, in certain cities and towns to elect to become members of the 1925 fund, the 1937 fund, or the 1953 fund, as appropriate. (Current law provides that those police officers and firefighters are members of the 1977 fund.)

### HB 1175: (LS 7009) Mahern (DI:69) Conditional deferment of judicial proceedings.

Allows a court to take judicial notice of the fact that proper early intervention, medical, advisory, or rehabilitative treatment of a defendant is likely to decrease the defendant's tendency to engage in antisocial behavior in a criminal proceeding for a Class D felony in which: (1) the use or abuse of alcohol, drugs, or harmful substances is a contributing factor or a material element of the offense; or (2) the defendant's mental illness, other than substance abuse, is a contributing factor.

### HB 1176: (LS 6524) Mahern (DI:92) Cigarette tax distributions in Marion County.

Removes the provision that distributes eleven-fourteenths of the amount of the

cigarette tax fund allocated to a city or town in Marion County to Marion County. Provides that a city or town located in Marion County will receive distributions from the cigarette tax fund in the same manner as cities and towns in the rest of the state.

#### HB 1177: (LS 6841) Goeglein (DI:77) In-home health care.

Provides that an individual in need of in-home care who is an eligible Medicaid recipient or a participant in the community and home options to institutional care for the elderly and disabled program (CHOICE) may employ registered personal services attendants to provide attendant care services. Exempts from these provisions home health agencies, hospice programs, and health care professionals who practice within the scope of their license. Requires an individual in need of in-home care and the individual's case manager to develop an authorized care plan. Requires an individual in need of in-home care to hire a fiscal agent to provide payroll related services. Requires the fiscal agent to register with the office of Medicaid policy and planning. Requires that appropriate federal Medicaid waivers be sought to permit reimbursement of these services under the Medicaid program. Exempts attendant care services performed by a personal services attendant from the practice of medicine and nursing. Makes certain other changes.

### HB 1178: (LS 7014) Crawford (DI:87) Affordable housing fund and transfer tax.

Establishes the Indiana affordable housing fund administered by the Indiana housing

finance authority for the purpose of providing grants and loans to eligible entities for programs that provide: (1) financial assistance to lower income families for the purchase or lease of housing; or (2) grants or loans for the acquisition, rehabilitation, construction, operation, or insurance of housing for lower income families. Provides that the fund resources that are appropriated must be distributed for the state fiscal year as follows: (1) 25% of the fund resources for urban housing. (2) 25% of the fund resources for rural housing. (3) 25% of the fund for the city housing fund of a consolidated city. (4) 25% of the fund for the state low income housing trust fund. Provides that any amounts remaining in the fund for rural housing at the end of the state fiscal year may be carried over to the next state fiscal year and distributed to eligible entities for urban housing. Requires the Indiana housing finance authority to adopt rules and written policies and procedures concerning grant eligibility, the grant application process, loan interest rates, and the disbursement of money from the fund. Establishes the real estate transfer tax on all transfers of a real property interest for valuable consideration. Specifies exemptions from the real estate transfer tax. Establishes the county real estate transfer tax fund. Requires the money collected from the real estate transfer tax to be deposited in the county real estate transfer tax fund. Requires the county auditor to transfer monthly the money collected from the real estate transfer tax to the state treasurer for deposit in the Indiana affordable housing trust fund. Allows the authority to transfer money from the Indiana affordable housing fund to the housing funds of Bloomington and Fort Wayne to be used to provide affordable

housing.

#### HB 1179: (LS 7034) Crawford (DI:69) Death sentence.

Prohibits a court from sentencing a defendant to death for committing murder if the sentencing hearing is by jury, unless the jury unanimously recommends the death penalty. Provides that if a jury is unable to agree on a sentence recommendation in a murder case after reasonable deliberations, the court must discharge the jury, hold a separate sentencing hearing, and sentence the defendant to: (1) a fixed term of imprisonment; or (2) life imprisonment without parole.

### HB 1180: (LS 7132) Crawford (DI:69) Death sentences sought on basis of race.

Provides that if: (1) a defendant is charged with a murder for which the state seeks a death sentence; (2) the defendant makes a prima facie showing that racial considerations played a part in the state's decision to seek or impose the death sentence; and (3) the state fails to rebut the prima facie showing, the death sentence may not be imposed on the defendant. Specifies that a prima facie showing that racial considerations played a part in the state's decision to seek or impose the death sentence is established if evidence shows that: (1) in the county where the defendant was charged, death sentences are sought or imposed upon persons of one race with a frequency that is disproportionate to their representation among the total number of persons arrested for, charged with, or convicted of crimes for which the state may seek the death sentence; (2) in the county

where the defendant was charged, death sentences are sought or imposed as punishment for the murder of victims who are members of one race with a frequency that is disproportionate to their representation among the total number of persons who are victims of crimes for which the state may seek the death sentence and that have resulted in criminal charges being filed by the state; or (3) racial considerations played a part in the state's decision to seek or impose the death sentence against the defendant. Requires the state to establish by clear and convincing evidence that identifiable and pertinent factors not based on race persuasively explain the state's decision to seek or impose the death sentence to rebut a prima facie showing that racial considerations played a part in the state's decision to seek or impose the death sentence.

## HB 1181: (LS 6761) Crawford (DI:69) Aggravating circumstances for murder sentences.

Provides that when the state seeks a death sentence or a sentence of life imprisonment without parole for murder and alleges that, as an aggravating circumstance, the defendant committed the murder by intentionally killing the victim while committing or attempting to commit a certain crime, the state must prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant: (1) committed the murder by intentionally killing the victim while committing or attempting to commit the crime; and (2) was the principal actor in the commission of the murder or committed the murder with prior calculation and design.

HB 1182: (LS 6685) Crawford (DI:98)

#### Retail tobacco products dealer license.

Requires a person to obtain a retail tobacco products dealer license to sell a tobacco product at retail, sell a tobacco product in a vending machine, allow a vending machine containing a tobacco product to be located on the person's premises, or distribute a tobacco product to the public without charge. Provides that the department of state revenue is the licensing agency. Establishes a \$50 annual license fee. Provides that a dealer must obtain a separate license for each place of business and each tobacco products vending machine, with a maximum total fee of \$500. Provides that a person dealing in tobacco products without a license is to be fined up to \$1,000. Provides that the first violation by a licensed dealer of the licensing requirements or criminal laws relating to the sale of tobacco to minors shall result in a written warning; the second violation, a three day license suspension; and the third violation, a license suspension of three days to six months and a fine of up to \$1,000. Requires the department to deposit all fees and fines in the state general fund. Requires the department to submit an annual report to the governor and the legislative council beginning July 1, 2000.

#### **HB 1183:** (**LS 6671**) Crawford (**DI:51**) Hate crimes.

Requires law enforcement officers to receive training in identifying, responding to, and reporting bias crimes. Requires law enforcement agencies to collect and report information concerning bias crimes. Requires the Indiana central repository for criminal history information to submit a compiled report of this information to each

law enforcement agency. Allows a person that suffers a pecuniary loss as a result of the commission of a bias crime to bring a civil action to recover actual, consequential, and incidental damages. Defines a bias crime as an offense in which the person who committed the offense knowingly or intentionally selected the person injured or damaged or otherwise affected property because of the color, creed, disability, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or sex of the injured person or of the owner or occupant of the affected property. Makes commission of a bias crime an aggravating circumstance that may be considered by a judge when the judge imposes a sentence for the crime. Expands the scope of the offenses relating to civil rights to include violations directed at a person because of the person's sexual orientation.

## HB 1184: (LS 6940) Grubb (DI:71) Donations to anatomical gift organizations.

Allows a person registering a motor vehicle to make a donation of \$1 or more to organizations that promote the procurement of organs as anatomical gifts. (Under current law, a person registering a motor vehicle may only make a donation of \$0.50.)

### HB 1185: (LS 6704) GiaQuinta (DI:58) Property tax deduction for recreational vehicles.

Provides a \$2,000 assessed value deduction for recreational vehicles.

### HB 1186: (LS 6394) GiaQuinta (DI:58) Clarify requirement to refile exemptions/credits.

Provides that an individual owner remains eligible and does not have to file a new

statement for assessed value deductions and the homestead credit even though other joint owners have been removed.

### HB 1187: (LS 6592) Mangus (DI:94) Wastewater treatment for unincorporated areas.

Provides for the establishment of a rural community wastewater district in an unincorporated area having a population of less than 1,250. Requires the creation of the wastewater district to be initiated through petition, and provides for remonstrance against creation. Provides the circuit court with jurisdiction over the township having the most land in the district as the court with jurisdiction over the petition and over future hearings of the district. Requires public hearings by the circuit court and by the township board on the petition. Requires the township board having the most land in the district to review the petition, to consult with other township boards that contain land in the district, to make findings related to the district, and to make a report to the circuit court. Provides for an advisory board to oversee the district. Provides that the advisory board is composed of five members: (1) three members elected by the residents of the district; (2) one member appointed by the township board of the township having the most land in the district; and (3) one member appointed by the township trustee of the township having the most land in the district. Provides for the duties and powers of the advisory board and the administration of the district. Allows the district to collect fees, user charges, and penalties. Provides the district with the authority to file a lien for past due fees, user charges, or penalties. Allows the district to seek funding from the wastewater revolving

loan fund. Provides the district with the ability to issue revenue obligations.

#### HB 1188: (LS 6742) Murphy (DI:44) Miami Indians of Indiana.

Recognizes the Miami Indians of Indiana as an independent Indian tribe. Provides that property owned in common by the Miami Indian Tribe is exempt from property taxes. Provides that income from a business operated on property owned in common by the Miami Indian Tribe is exempt from taxation.

#### HB 1189: (LS 7052) Lutz J (DI:92) Paramount Heritage Foundation appropriation.

Appropriates \$415,000 from the build Indiana fund to the Paramount Heritage Foundation located in Madison County for capital improvements.

# HB 1190: (LS 7055) Lutz J (DI:92) Richland Township Fire Department appropriation.

Appropriates \$50,000 from the build Indiana fund to the Richland Township Fire Department, Madison County, for capital improvements.

### HB 1191: (LS 6759) Avery (DI:75) Conveyance of military department property.

Authorizes and directs the state to convey to the city of Evansville, for public park purposes, a parcel of real estate owned by the state and under the control of the military department of the state of Indiana.

### **HB 1192:** (**LS 6442**) Avery (**DI:76**) CASA and GAL funding.

Removes a provision that limits the division of state court administration from using more than \$75,000 in matching funds per state fiscal year to implement and administer guardian ad litem and court appointed special advocate programs.

#### HB 1193: (LS 7403) Pelath (DI:87) Annexation referendum.

Requires a municipality to annex an entire election precinct. Provides that if a municipality in a county other than St. Joseph County satisfies the annexation requirements at the remonstrance hearing, the court must: (1) enter a judgment that the municipality has satisfied the annexation requirements; and (2) certify the proposed annexation as a local public question to be voted on by voters in the proposed annexed territory at the next general election. Provides that if a city in St. Joseph County satisfies the annexation requirements at the remonstrance hearing and the landowners of the territory to be annexed fail to satisfy the requirements to stop an annexation, the court must enter a judgment that the city has satisfied the annexation requirements and certify the proposed annexation as a local public question. Provides that if a majority of votes cast are in favor of the proposed annexation, the annexation must take place unless a court on appeal finds that the city failed to satisfy the annexation requirements. Provides that if a majority of votes cast are not in favor of the proposed annexation, the annexation may not take place and a pending appeal of the judgment becomes moot. Requires a municipality to provide written notice of a hearing concerning a proposed annexation to each owner of real property located within the territory proposed to be

annexed. Requires the clerk of the municipality to submit a description and a map of the territory proposed to be annexed to the circuit court clerk in the county in which the annexed territory is located. Requires the circuit court clerk to determine the registered voters within: (1) the territory proposed to be annexed; and (2) each precinct within the territory proposed to be annexed. Requires the circuit court clerk to submit the voter information to the county election board. Provides that the act applies to a municipality that adopts an annexation ordinance after June 30, 1999.

### HB 1194: (LS 6658) Pelath (DI:96) Fair share support by school employees.

Removes a provision prohibiting a school employee from being required to join or financially support a school employee organization through the payment of certain fees.

#### HB 1195: (LS 6697) Pelath (DI:88) Health maintenance organization liability.

Provides for a duty of ordinary care for health insurance carriers, health maintenance organizations, and other managed care entities when making health care treatment decisions. Makes health insurance carriers, health maintenance organizations, and other managed care entities liable for harm resulting from health care treatment decisions that are made without exercising ordinary care. Prohibits a health insurance carrier, a health maintenance organization, or other managed care entity from removing a health care provider from, or renewing the status of the health care provider with, the health care plan for advocating on behalf of

an insured or enrollee for appropriate and medically necessary care. Prohibits contract indemnification or hold harmless clauses from applying to the acts or conduct of health insurance carriers, health maintenance organizations, and other managed care entities.

#### HB 1196: (LS 7104) Pelath (DI:78) Reservations at DNR facilities.

Requires the department of natural resources to accept reservations from residents of the state for overnight accommodations at campgrounds ten days before the department begins to accept reservations from nonresidents.

#### HB 1197: (LS 6754) Crawford (DI:2) Publication of IPS annual performance reports.

Removes the requirement in the law concerning improvement in student achievement in certain cities that Indianapolis public schools (IPS) must publish an annual performance report. (Current law requires IPS to also publish an annual performance report under a statute that is applicable to all school corporations.)

## HB 1198: (LS 6377) Foley (DI:69) Community corrections programs.

Provides that the law concerning direct placement in community corrections programs applies to the sentencing of a person convicted of a misdemeanor whenever any part of the person's sentence may not be suspended.

### HB 1199: (LS 6589) Foley (DI:69) Concurrent and consecutive sentencing.

Specifies that the definition of "crime of violence" for purposes of the law concerning concurrent and consecutive sentencing includes an attempt to commit a crime of violence.

### HB 1200: (LS 6447) Bailey (DI:75) Professional sports franchises.

Provides that the owner of a professional sports team that operates in Indiana and that has at any time received governmental assistance must give the governor and the executive of the municipality in which the team plays a majority of its home games not less than 180 days notice of the owner's intent to relocate the team. Requires the notice to include the owner's terms and conditions for acquisition of the franchise by a franchise acquisition corporation. Provides that when the governor receives the notice from the owner, a franchise acquisition corporation is formed to acquire the franchise. Provides for appointment of the board of directors of the corporation. Requires the corporation to accept the owner's terms and conditions for acquisition of the franchise or negotiate with the owner for acceptable terms and conditions for acquisition. Provides that if the board and the owner cannot agree on the terms and conditions for acquisition of the franchise, the matter must be referred to an arbitrator to determine the terms and conditions for acquisition of the franchise. Provides that the board may waive acquisition of the franchise if the board, the owner, and the league agree on acquisition of a new franchise by the corporation. Requires the board to waive acquisition of the franchise if the corporation is unable to comply with the terms and conditions of the acquisition or if

the board determines, by unanimous vote of its members, that acquisition is not in the best interest of the state and the municipality. Provides for dissolution of the corporation if a franchise is not acquired. Provides the general and financial powers of a franchise acquisition corporation. Provides civil penalties if an owner fails to give the required notice or fails to negotiate in good faith. Provides that after June 30, 1999, an agreement between a governmental entity and a franchise to provide governmental assistance to the franchise must acknowledge the effect of the franchise acquisition statute and agree to be bound by it. Provides that a franchise that operates in Indiana irrevocably consents to jurisdiction of Indiana courts and to service of process in a legal proceeding relating to the franchise regardless of the subsequent location of the franchise.

## HB 1201: (LS 6590) Foley (DI:69) Glue sniffing or huffing.

Makes it a Class A misdemeanor instead of a Class B misdemeanor to commit glue sniffing or huffing.

### HB 1202: (LS 6664) Foley (DI:92) Build Indiana fund appropriations.

Makes the following appropriations from the build Indiana fund: (1) \$25,000 to the Washington Township fire department in Morgan County; (2) \$25,000 to the Nineveh Volunteer Fire department in Johnson County; and (3) \$50,000 to the town of Bargersville.

### HB 1203: (LS 6748) Burton (DI:71) Vehicle registration and driving while intoxicated.

Requires a court to impound the certificate of registration and license plate of a vehicle owned by or registered to a person who is convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated if the court recommends suspension of the person's license. Allows a person who has had a license plate impounded to receive a probationary license plate from the bureau of motor vehicles that contains a unique series of letters and numbers that may be identified by a law enforcement officer. Provides that a law enforcement officer may stop at any time a vehicle that displays a probationary license plate.

#### HB 1204: (LS 7044) Scholer (DI:75) Renewal of governmental contracts.

Provides that a contract for the purchase of supplies or services by a governmental body that contains a price escalation provision may be renewed if the price escalation is computed using a commonly accepted index named in the contract or using a formula set forth in the contract.

## HB 1205: (LS 7043) Scholer (DI:75) Public notice of public purchases.

Provides that the second and last publication of a notice of invitation for bids must be made at least seven days (rather than ten days) before the date bids will be received.

### HB 1206: (LS 7042) Scholer (DI:44) Historic rehabilitation tax credit.

Maintains the state cap on the total amount of income tax credits allowed for preservation or rehabilitation of historic property at the current level of \$750,000 for each state fiscal year. (Under current law,

the cap is scheduled to be reduced to \$450,000 for state fiscal years beginning on July 1, 1999, and thereafter.)

### **HB 1207:** (**LS 6813**) Wolkins (**DI:96**) Speed limits.

Raises the maximum speed limit to 70 miles per hour for automobiles and 65 miles per hour for trucks on interstate highways in Indiana. Raises the maximum speed limit for automobiles to 60 miles per hour and 55 miles per hour for trucks on four lane, rural, divided noninterstate highways in Indiana.

### HB 1208: (LS 7214) Buell (DI:101) Accountant exception to private detective license.

Exempts from the licensing requirements for private detectives a certified public accountant or an employee of a certified public accountant, to the extent that the person is engaged in an investigation incident to the practice of accountancy.

### HB 1209: (LS 6801) Cook (DI:51) Allocation of court fees and judgments.

Makes the following changes to the distribution of criminal costs fees, infraction or ordinance violation costs fees, civil costs fees, small claims costs fees, and deferred prosecution fees: (1) Reduces from 55% to 45% the percentage of the fees that the clerk of a city or town court semiannually distributes to the auditor of state as the state share. (2) Increases from 25% to 35% the percentage of the fees that the city or town fiscal officer retains as the city or town share. Provides that \$5 of each \$25 fine imposed by a city or town court for a safety belt violation or other Class D infraction is to be retained by the political division

entering the judgment.

### HB 1210: (LS 6911) Cook (DI:76) Neglect of a dependent.

Increases the penalty for neglect of a dependent from a Class D felony to a Class B felony if the offense involves: (1) placing the dependent in a situation that may endanger the dependent's life or health; or (2) abandoning or cruelly confining the dependent. Makes a conforming change.

# HB 1211: (LS 6770) Lytle (DI:2) Inspection of nurseries by department of natural resources.

Provides that the division of entomology and plant pathology of the department of natural resources is required to make an annual inspection of plant nurseries that import stock into and export stock from Indiana. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the natural resources study committee.)

### **HB 1212:** (**LS 7141**) Lytle (**DI:78**) Ginseng season.

Changes the ginseng harvest season to last from September 1 through November 30 of each year. (Under current law, the season is from August 15 through December 31 of each year.)

#### HB 1213: (LS 7120) Porter (DI:2) Education technical corrections.

Makes technical and style changes pertaining to education in the Indiana Code.

### HB 1214: (LS 7064) Porter (DI:2) Education terminology.

Provides consistency in language and meaning in the Indiana Code by adding the word "academic" to references to high school honors diplomas in the Indiana Code. Corrects a misspelling of the word "academic" in the Indiana Code.

### HB 1215: (LS 6738) Stilwell (DI:87) Area plan commission membership.

Removes the following members from an area plan commission: (1) A school superintendent representative. (2) The county agricultural extension educator. Adds two citizen members appointed by the county executive and the county fiscal body to an area plan commission. Requires an area plan commission to appoint the two new citizen members by October 1, 1999. Requires the two members removed from the commission to serve until the two citizen members are appointed.

#### HB 1216: (LS 6763) Stilwell (DI:69) Firearms and felons.

Makes possession of a firearm by a serious violent felon a Class B felony for which a court may not suspend the minimum sentence. Repeals current law making it a Class D felony for a person convicted of a felony to own, carry, or possess: (1) a firearm not designed to use fixed cartridges or fixed ammunition; or (2) a firearm made before January 1, 1899.

# HB 1217: (LS 6983) Stilwell (DI:69) Treble damages; unfair claim settlement practices.

Allows a person who suffers a pecuniary loss as a result of the commission of an unfair claim settlement practice to bring a

civil action against the person who caused the loss for an amount not to exceed three times the actual damages of the person suffering the loss.

### HB 1218: (LS 6956) Stilwell (DI:71) Unfair labor practices.

Authorizes the Indiana education employment relations board to issue certain orders and impose certain requirements on a person who commits an unfair practice.

#### HB 1219: (LS 6900) Porter (DI:71) Abstinence education in schools.

Changes for accredited public and nonpublic schools the requirements for teaching abstinence from sexual activity outside of marriage throughout instruction on human sexuality or sexually transmitted diseases.

### HB 1220: (LS 6902) Porter (DI:71) Indianapolis Public Schools.

Reinstates collective bargaining and discussion rights for certificated school employees in the Indianapolis Public Schools (IPS) system with regard to matters that are currently bargainable or discussible for school employees in other school systems. Provides that summer remediation programs are provided within the IPS system. Eliminates merit pay provisions for IPS employees. Eliminates the evaluation of any school employee or administrator in IPS that is based in whole or in part upon the test scores of students.

#### HB 1221: (LS 6460) Dobis (DI:58) Property tax exemption for privately maintained roads.

Provides a property tax exemption for privately maintained roads servicing a platted area and for fire hydrants, storm water drainage systems, and culverts.

### HB 1222: (LS 6682) Scholer (DI:94) Individual retirement account protection.

Provides that Roth IRAs and educational IRAs are not subject to levy or sale on execution or any other final process from a court for a judgment founded upon an express or implied contract or tort claim. (Current law provides that traditional IRAs are not subject to levy or sale on execution or any other final process from a court for a judgment founded upon an express or implied contract or tort claim.)

#### HB 1223: (LS 7268) Linder (DI:44) REMC educational services.

Adds materials or equipment related to educational services to the definition of services for purposes of the statute governing rural electric membership corporations.

### HB 1224: (LS 6693) Kuzman (DI:92) Property tax deductions for mobile homes.

Provides that the owner of a mobile home that is not assessed as real property is entitled to a standard deduction from the mobile home's assessed value if the owner resides in the mobile home.

#### HB 1225: (LS 6667) Kuzman (DI:69) Domestic violence in the presence of a child.

Provides that a person who commits or attempts to commit certain criminal offenses while in the presence of a child who is less than 17 years of age commits domestic violence in the presence of a child as either a Class A misdemeanor or a Class D felony.

# HB 1226: (LS 7278) Mangus (DI:78) Pioneer cemetery fund and environmental license plates.

Creates the pioneer cemeteries maintenance and restoration fund to be administered by the Indiana historical bureau. Permits a county cemetery association to apply for a grant from the pioneer cemeteries maintenance and restoration fund. Creates a second environmental license plate. Requires the auditor of state to deposit money raised from the sale of the plate in the pioneer cemeteries maintenance and restoration fund.

### HB 1227: (LS 7279) Mangus (DI:78) Heritage trust state parks license plates.

Creates a second environmental license plate. Requires the auditor of state to deposit money raised by the sale of the plate in the state parks special revenue fund.

#### HB 1228: (LS 6797) Cheney (DI:58) ISTEP+ remediation funding.

Eliminates the school corporation match requirement for receiving grants for ISTEP+ remediation.

#### HB 1229: (LS 6927) Pelath (DI:94) Extra heavy duty highway designation.

Provides for the designation of a section of highway in Michigan City as an extra heavy duty highway.

HB 1230: (LS 6556) Fry (DI:47)

#### Mutual insurance company study.

Establishes a two year interim committee to study mutual insurance companies. Provides that the committee consists of eight members of the general assembly appointed by the speaker of the house and the president pro tempore of the senate. Requires the committee to conduct meetings and to issue a final report of its findings and recommendations to the legislative council not later than November 1, 2000. Provides that the committee is under the jurisdiction of the legislative council. Requires the legislative services agency to provide staff and administrative support for the committee.

#### HB 1231: (LS 6780) Fry (DI:97) Restriction on state university contracting.

Requires a state educational institution to give preference to an insurer or health maintenance organization domiciled in Indiana when entering into a contract for provision of health care coverage to students of the institution.

### HB 1232: (LS 7441) Fry (DI:97) Notice of benefit changes.

Prohibits an accident and sickness insurer, a preferred provider plan, a health maintenance organization, and a limited service health maintenance organization from changing a benefit or service provided under a benefit under a policy or contract during the policy or contract period. Requires that an accident and sickness insurer change a policy benefit or service provided under the benefit only upon policy renewal with at least 30 days prior written notice to the policyholder and certificate

holder. Requires that a health maintenance organization and a limited service health maintenance organization change a contract benefit or service provided under the benefit only upon contract renewal with at least 30 days prior written notice to the contract holder and subscriber.

### **HB 1233:** (**LS 6877**) Fry (**DI:71**) Safety belts.

Provides that a person may not be stopped, inspected, or detained solely to determine compliance with safety belt requirements. Allows a person to be stopped, inspected, or detained to determine compliance with child passenger restraint requirements.

#### **HB 1234:** (**LS 6914**) Fry (**DI:98**) Commission on aging.

Requires the commission on aging to be composed of 16 lay members appointed by the governor, two senators appointed by the president pro tempore, and two representatives appointed by the speaker of the house. Provides that the term of a lay member is four years. Allows legislative members of the commission to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances as members of the general assembly serving on interim study committees established by the legislative council. (Current law states that the commission consists of 16 members appointed by the governor.)

## HB 1235: (LS 6779) Fry (DI:94) Municipal regulation of train whistles.

Allows the city of Elkhart to adopt an ordinance regulating the use of train whistles within the city limits.

#### HB 1236: (LS 6600) Fry (DI:2) Hunting on part of the St. Joseph River.

Joseph River. Prohibits shooting with a firearm from the part of the St. Joseph River that lies between the Twin Branch Dam and the St. Joseph County and Elkhart County lines.

#### HB 1237: (LS 6572) Fry (DI:94) Municipal collection of fees.

Allows the city of Elkhart to recover costs related to furnishing water for fire protection by including the expenses in the basic rates of township customers of the city's water utility by filing a schedule of rates with the Indiana utility regulatory commission. Provides that the amount unpaid, the late penalty, and the attorney's fees that are the result of a delinquent municipal sewer bill, for certain municipalities, may be collected only from the user of the property. (Current law allows the amount to be collected from the user of the property or the owner of the property.)

### HB 1238: (LS 7434) Frenz (DI:87) Use of emergency telephone system fees.

Allows counties to use emergency telephone system fees to lease, purchase, install, or maintain equipment considered necessary for the county to provide effective communication throughout the county among all emergency and law enforcement agencies, if the county council approves of the expenditure.

#### HB 1239: (LS 6362) Crooks (DI:44) Higher education tax credit.

Increases the maximum income tax credit

for contributions by individuals to Indiana colleges from \$100 to \$200 for single returns and from \$200 to \$400 for joint returns.

## HB 1240: (LS 7322) Crooks (DI:73) Motor carrier fuel tax exemption.

Provides that the motor carrier fuel tax exemption for motor fuel used to propel equipment mounted on a motor vehicle that has a common reservoir for locomotion and for the operation of the equipment applies to any use of motor fuel to propel the equipment. (Current law provides that the exemption applies only to motor fuel used to propel equipment in Indiana.)

### HB 1241: (LS 6681) Crooks (DI:73) Inventory tax credit.

Provides a refundable credit against a taxpayer's state tax liability for property taxes paid on inventory. Provides that the credit is initially equal to 20% of property taxes paid on inventory, and increases the credit percentage over five years until the credit may be claimed for 100% of property taxes paid on inventory.

## HB 1242: (LS 6903) Crooks (DI:94) Railroad trespass and vandalism act.

Makes trespassing on railroad property a Class A misdemeanor. Makes it a Class C felony to recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally vandalize railroad property. Makes it a Class B felony to recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally vandalize railroad property if another person suffers serious bodily injury. Makes it a Class A felony to recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally vandalize railroad property if it

results in the death of another person. Makes it a Class C felony to steal railroad property. Makes it a Class C felony to buy or receive stolen railroad property. Repeals the current railroad trespass statute.

#### HB 1243: (LS 6809) Crooks (DI:98) Home energy assistance.

Provides that the division of family and children shall, in determining eligibility for the home energy assistance program, give priority to households that meet all other eligibility criteria and whose members reside in nongovernment subsidized housing or government subsidized housing in which home energy costs are not included in the rent. (Current law makes no distinction between household members residing in subsidized housing and unsubsidized housing.)

#### HB 1244: (LS 6852) Crooks (DI:77) Personal needs allowance.

Increases the monthly personal needs allowance to at least \$60 beginning July 1, 1999, for: (1) elderly, blind, and disabled individuals residing in county homes who receive residential care assistance from the state; (2) other individuals receiving residential care assistance from the state who reside in room and board facilities; (3) Medicaid eligible individuals receiving care in hospitals or nursing facilities; and (4) Medicaid eligible individuals residing in community residential facilities for the developmentally disabled. (Current law provides that the monthly personal needs allowance for these individuals may not be less than \$28.50 or more than \$35.)

#### HB 1245: (LS 6591) Crooks (DI:76) Class II child care homes.

Allows a class II child care home provider to care for not more than two foster care children in addition to the maximum number of children for whom the provider is otherwise allowed to provide care. Provides that a person seeking a license to operate a class II child care home is no longer required to: (1) reside in the child care home; or (2) apply for the license before July 1, 1996. Requires a class II child care home provider to have received at least a Child Development Association (CDA) credential or its equivalent. Requires a class II child care home to reasonably conform with the appearance of other homes in the residential area where the child care home is located unless zoning laws allow for the nonconformity.

#### HB 1246: (LS 7061) Crooks (DI:73) Income tax deductions.

Provides a 100% adjusted gross income tax deduction for pension and annuity income and individual retirement arrangement distributions received by an individual who is at least 55 years of age. Makes conforming changes to existing provisions that provide certain partial deductions for retirement income.

### HB 1247: (LS 6921) Adams T (DI:87) County police officer COLAs.

Allows a county to provide cost of living payments to a retired or disabled county police officer who is less than 55 years of age if the county has funds for the additional payments.

#### HB 1248: (LS 6423) Adams T (DI:71) School bus committee members.

Provides that the member of the state school bus committee selected by the School Transportation Association of Indiana is a voting member of the committee. (Under current law, the member is a nonvoting advisory member.)

#### HB 1249: (LS 6278) Adams T (DI:96) Meet and confer bargaining.

Requires a unit (a city, town, township, or county) to meet and confer with the recognized representative of the unit's public safety employees concerning wages, hours of employment, and other conditions of employment. Exempts units with a population of less than 5,000. Provides that a public safety employee may not engage in a strike. Provides that an agreement between an employer and an employee organization may not require a unit to engage in deficit financing. Provides that an agent designated by a unit to meet and confer with an employee representative is not a governing body for open door law purposes.

### HB 1250: (LS 6424) Adams T (DI:69) Battery by body waste.

Allows a law enforcement officer to take a blood sample from a person without the person's consent and without obtaining a search warrant if the law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe that a person has committed battery by body waste and:

(1) the law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe that the current state of the person's blood will constitute evidence to determine if the person was infected with hepatitis B, hepatitis C, HIV, or tuberculosis

at the time the person committed the offense; (2) the law enforcement officer reasonably believes that an emergency exists in which the time that would be necessary to obtain a search warrant would threaten the loss, alteration, or destruction of the evidence; and (3) the procedures used to extract the blood sample are reasonable and in accordance with accepted medical practices. Makes the offense of battery by body waste: (1) a Class C felony instead of a Class D felony if the person who committed the offense knew or recklessly failed to know that the person was infected with hepatitis C; and (2) a Class B felony instead of a Class D felony if the person who committed the offense knew or recklessly failed to know that the person was infected with hepatitis C and the offense results in the transmission of hepatitis C to another person.

## HB 1251: (LS 7091) Adams T (DI:58) Elderly and disabled property tax credit.

Provides that a property tax credit is payable from the property tax replacement fund against the property taxes paid on an individual's homestead if the individual is at least 65 years of age or has been declared totally disabled for purposes of Social Security. Provides that the credit changes each year so that the individual's net property tax liability will never be greater than the individual's property tax liability in the first year the individual qualified for the credit if the individual files for the credit. Appropriates money from the property tax replacement fund to pay for the property tax credits.

HB 1252: (LS 7002) Adams T (DI:47)

#### Ball State contractor benefits.

Requires Ball State University to provide the same health insurance benefits to individuals who teach or provide other services under a contract with the university as the university provides to its employees.

# HB 1253: (LS 7415) Adams T (DI:69) Arson and burglary involving religious structures.

Makes it a crime of arson, a Class B felony, for a person to, by means of fire or explosive, knowingly or intentionally damage a structure used for religious worship without the consent of the owner of the structure. Makes it a crime of burglary, a Class B felony, for a person to break and enter a structure used for religious worship with intent to commit a felony in the structure.

### HB 1254: (LS 6865) Kersey (DI:92) Income tax credit for inventory taxes.

Provides a credit against a taxpayer's state tax liability for property taxes paid on inventory.

### HB 1255: (LS 7206) Kersey (DI:76) Ignition interlock devices.

Requires that if a court orders probationary driving privileges for a person who is convicted of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated, the court shall restrict the person from operating a motor vehicle unless it is equipped with an ignition interlock device if: (1) the person has a prior conviction for operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated not more than five years immediately preceding the occurrence of the

violation for which the person is currently being granted probationary driving privileges; and (2) at least one of the person's convictions for operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated during that five year period involved the person operating the motor vehicle with at least 0.16% by weight of alcohol in the person's blood or breath. Requires the court to order the office of traffic safety within the criminal justice institute to pay for the costs of the installation of the ignition interlock device for indigent defendants.

## HB 1256: (LS 7124) Kersey (DI:87) Access to public employee personnel files.

Allows the public to have access to information in the personnel file of a public employee concerning decisions in which final action has been taken and that resulted in the employee being suspended without pay, demoted, transferred, reassigned, or discharged.

### HB 1257: (LS 6161) Alderman (DI:97) Family and Social Services Reversions.

Requires that, when money in the emergency support fund for individuals with developmental disabilities is used to make a permanent placement, the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services shall make the placement only in a setting that is licensed or certified by the bureau of developmental disabilities services. Provides that money remaining in the developmentally disabled client services account, or any other state account or fund used to serve individuals with developmental disabilities, at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state

general fund. Makes a conforming amendment. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the commission on autism.)

# HB 1258: (LS 6396) Alderman (DI:97) Certification of community based residential programs and settings for the developmentally disabled.

Requires the bureau of developmental disabilities services to annually certify programs of community based residential alternatives to placement in state institutions and nursing homes. Prohibits the bureau of developmental disabilities services from placing a developmentally disabled individual in a residential setting unless the setting is certified or licensed under Indiana law.

### HB 1259: (LS 6399) Alderman (DI:97) Medicaid autism waiver slots appropriation.

Appropriates to the office of Medicaid policy and planning from the state general fund an amount sufficient for use in funding an increase in the number of eligible individuals served under the Medicaid autism waiver.

### HB 1260: (LS 6513) Alderman (DI:2) Alcoholic beverage local boards.

Changes the local alcoholic beverage board in each county from a four member board to a three member board by removing the member who is designated by the alcoholic beverage commission.

### HB 1261: (LS 7366) Bodiker (DI:100) Lost, destroyed, or stolen bank checks.

Adds an alternative procedure to the uniform commercial code for lost, destroyed, or stolen bank checks. Allows a person who claims the right to receive the amount of a bank check that was lost, destroyed, or stolen to file a description of the check and a declaration of loss with the obligated bank. Provides rules for the enforceability of a claim. Establishes the obligated bank's degree of liability to a claimant with respect to the lost, destroyed, or stolen check.

### HB 1262: (LS 6624) Bodiker (DI:73) Property tax freeze for elderly homeowners.

Provides a property tax credit to elderly homestead owners so that an elderly individual's net property tax liability on a homestead will not be greater than the individual's net property tax liability in the first year the individual qualified for the credit. Provides that the property tax credit is payable from the property tax replacement fund. Appropriates money from the property tax replacement fund to pay for the property tax credits.

### HB 1263: (LS 6645) Bodiker (DI:73) Tax credit for property taxes paid on inventory.

Provides a credit against a taxpayer's state tax liability for property taxes paid on inventory.

#### HB 1264: (LS 6931) Bodiker (DI:92) Small estates.

Allows a resident decedent's family members to deposit money into accounts belonging to the decedent if the family intends to dispense with the administration of the resident decedent's estate.

#### HB 1265: (LS 7342) Bodiker (DI:76) Victim's statements in sexual offense cases.

Prohibits a defendant who is charged with a sex offense from releasing to the public a statement made by the victim relating to: (1) the nature of the offense; or (2) the victim's past sexual conduct. Applies during any stage of the criminal proceeding. Provides that the release of the victim's statement by the defendant is punishable as contempt of court regardless of whether the defendant is convicted of the sex offense.

## HB 1266: (LS 6773) Bodiker (DI:94) Designated park fees.

Requires a county or municipal park that charges a fee designated for a specific purpose to deposit the designated fees into a nonreverting fund established for the specific purpose designated by the park board. Provides that money in the fund may only be used at the park that collected the fee and only for the specific purpose designated by the park board.

### HB 1267: (LS 7289) Crawford (DI:58) Neighborhood assistance tax credits.

Increases the maximum amount of neighborhood assistance tax credits that may be given statewide during a state fiscal year from \$2,500,000 to \$3,500,000.

### HB 1268: (LS 7477) Pelath (DI:87) Municipal sewage works.

Provides that after June 30, 1999, a lien may not attach to real property for unpaid sewer fees if the property is occupied by someone other than the owner of the property. Provides that a lien that attached before July 1, 1999, against real property occupied by someone other than the owner that is not released from the property on July 1, 1999, is void and unenforceable.

## HB 1269: (LS 6998) Brown T (DI:75) Daylight savings time.

Requires Indiana to observe daylight savings time throughout the state.

#### HB 1270: (LS 6029) Brown T (DI:2) Natural, scenic, or recreational river designation.

Changes the procedure for the inclusion of rivers in the system of natural, scenic, and recreational rivers. Provides that a river section recommended by the director of the department of natural resources for inclusion in the system may not be included in the system unless at least 500 residents of the county in which the river section is located sign a petition in support of the inclusion of the river. Requires the legislative body of the county in which the river section is located to hold a public hearing on the proposed inclusion of the river section in the system. Precludes the county legislative body from taking further action concerning the proposed inclusion of the river section unless it holds the public hearing. Requires the county legislative body, not more than 60 days after the public hearing, to vote on whether to support or oppose the inclusion of the river section in the system. Provides that no further action may be taken toward the inclusion of the river section in the system if the county legislative body votes to oppose the inclusion unless, not more than 60 days after the vote, a second petition in support of the inclusion of the river section in the system is signed by at least 10% of the

residents of the county and presented to the county legislative body and the natural resources commission.

#### HB 1271: (LS 6026) Brown T (DI:98) Child care home licensing exemption.

Exempts from licensure a child care home that provides care to more than six children, not including children for whom the provider is a parent, stepparent, guardian, custodian, or other relative, if the provider obtains a written, notarized statement from a parent, guardian, or custodian seeking care for a child within the child care home. Requires the notarized statement to acknowledge the number of children for whom the child care home provides care and to indicate the parent, guardian, or custodian's agreement to place the child in the provider's care under the circumstances. Requires the child care home to maintain records of the notarized statements. Requires the child care home to comply with certain health, sanitation, fire, and safety rules approved by the division of family and children. (Current law requires a child care home that provides care to more than six children, not including children for whom the child care home provider is a parent, stepparent, guardian, custodian, or other relative, to be licensed.)

### HB 1272: (LS 6714) Linder (DI:92) Rush county infrastructure appropriation.

Appropriates \$250,000 from the build Indiana fund to Rush County for infrastructure improvements.

HB 1273: (LS 6713) Linder (DI:92) Shelbyville infrastructure appropriation.

Appropriates \$250,000 from the build Indiana fund to the city of Shelbyville for infrastructure improvements.

#### HB 1274: (LS 6711) Linder (DI:92) Shelby county infrastructure appropriation.

Appropriates \$250,000 from the build Indiana fund to Shelby County for infrastructure improvements.

# HB 1275: (LS 6709) Linder (DI:92) Bartholomew county infrastructure appropriation.

Appropriates \$250,000 from the build Indiana fund to Bartholomew County for infrastructure improvements.

## HB 1276: (LS 6741) Saunders (DI:73) Property reassessment delay.

Postpones the general reassessment of real property scheduled to begin July 1, 1999, to July 1, 2000.

### HB 1277: (LS 6402) Whetstone (DI:94) Permit counties to have 5 county commissioners.

Allows the board of county commissioners in a county to be expanded from three members to five members. Provides that the board of county commissioners must pass an ordinance to expand the board of county commissioners. Requires that if the ordinance is approved, a public question to expand the board of county commissioners must be placed on the ballot of a countywide election. Provides for the initial appointment of new board members, the timing of elections of the board of county commissioners, and for the designation of districts for the election of county

commissioners.

### HB 1278: (LS 6433) Buck (DI:77) Medicaid payments for tobacco related diseases.

Establishes the tobacco related diseases fund within the state Medicaid program to pay the state's share of Medicaid payments for the treatment of tobacco related diseases. Provides that money in the fund consists of cigarette taxes and tobacco products taxes collected by the state. (Current law provides that these taxes are deposited in the cigarette tax fund, the mental health centers fund, the state general fund, and the pension relief fund.) Requires that money in the fund be used in its entirety during each state fiscal year before the state's share of Medicaid payments for the treatment of tobacco related diseases may be taken from the Medicaid account within the state general fund. Requires a health care provider to inform the office of Medicaid policy and planning when the provider treats an individual who is enrolled in the Medicaid program for a tobacco related disease. Requires the office of Medicaid policy and planning, with the assistance of the state department of health, to establish a list of tobacco related diseases. Repeals provisions specifying certain allocations of funds collected by the cigarette tax. Makes conforming amendments.

#### HB 1279: (LS 6171) Buck (DI:73) State distributions for teachers' retirement fund pension relief.

Transfers, from the state general fund to the TRF pension stabilization fund, one-half of the amount by which actual revenues for the state general fund and the property tax replacement fund in a state fiscal year

exceed the revenues forecasted for that state fiscal year.

#### HB 1280: (LS 6407) Buck (DI:77) Attorney general civil actions.

Requires that unless directed by the general assembly, money collected on behalf of the state or a state agency from a civil action prosecuted by the attorney general shall be deposited in the state general fund and that as part of the civil action the attorney general may not require the respondent to spend money for specific purposes.

### HB 1281: (LS 6078) Buck (DI:73) Tax credit for inventory tax payments.

Provides a credit against a taxpayer's state tax liability for property taxes paid on inventory. Provides that the credit is initially equal to 10% of property taxes paid on inventory, and increases the credit percentage over ten years until the credit may be claimed for 100% of property taxes paid on inventory. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the local government finance study commission.)

## HB 1282: (LS 6718) Torr (DI:73) Appropriations continuation.

Provides that if the general assembly fails to adopt before April 30 of an odd-numbered year an appropriation act for the following two state fiscal years, the amounts appropriated for government operations for the current state fiscal year, excluding appropriations for capital expenditures, are appropriated for the next two state fiscal years.

HB 1283: (LS 6282) Dobis (DI:96)

#### County police officer suspension.

Allows a sheriff to temporarily suspend a county police officer with or without pay for a period not exceeding five days without a hearing before the sheriff's merit board. (Current law allows a sheriff to temporarily suspend a county police officer with or without pay for a period not exceeding 15 days without a hearing before the sheriff's merit board.)

#### HB 1284: (LS 6123) Kruzan (DI:44) Internet notice of state meetings and bid lists.

Requires state agencies to provide electronic access to notices of public meetings and invitations to bid on contracts for public works and supplies. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on state government issues.)

### HB 1285: (LS 6037) Smith V (DI:51) Ban on assault weapons.

Provides that the manufacture, importation, sale, or possession of ammunition for a machine gun, an automatic weapon, or a semiautomatic weapon is a Class C felony.

### HB 1286: (LS 6027) Smith V (DI:98) Poor relief funds for utility assistance.

Provides that a township trustee is not required to pay delinquent utility bills to prevent termination of utility services or to restore terminated services. (Current law states that the township trustee may pay delinquent utility bills but does not specifically state that the township trustee is not required to pay them.) Requires a utility that has terminated service to restore the service if a township trustee authorizes the

payment of future bills for the service.

### HB 1287: (LS 6246) Crosby (DI:77) Mentally ill dependent insurance coverage.

Adds a dependent child's incapability to self-sustain employment because of mental illness to the reasons that continue hospital and medical coverage to a child under certain insurance policies. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Indiana commission on mental health.)

#### HB 1288: (LS 7166) Ruppel (DI:75) Ballot vacancies.

Provides that a major political party may not fill an early candidate vacancy on a general, municipal, or special election ballot if the political party did not have a candidate on the primary election ballot. Provides that a candidate vacancy that occurs after 31 days before a primary election may be filled under the conditions for filling late candidate vacancies for a general, municipal, or special election unless the political party has candidates remaining on the primary election ballot after the vacancy occurs. Provides that a candidate vacancy that occurs on a general election ballot for an office nominated at a state convention may not be filled if the vacancy results from the failure of the convention to nominate a candidate.

### HB 1289: (LS 7210) Ruppel (DI:71) Tuition exemptions.

Provides that for purposes of the tuition exemption at state educational institutions to which the surviving spouse or children of a public safety officer killed in the line of duty are entitled, the term "other required fees"

includes room and board expenses.

### HB 1290: (LS 6808) Ruppel (DI:69) Proceedings supplemental fee.

Requires a court clerk to collect a proceedings supplemental fee of \$15 from a party who files a motion for proceedings supplemental to enforce a civil judgment. Requires the clerk to forward the fee to the county auditor for deposit in the county general fund.

# HB 1291: (LS 7346) Summers (DI:97) Community residential facilities for developmentally disabled children.

Provides an annual appropriation to the office of Medicaid policy and planning to fund 32 beds distributed in at least four community residential facilities for developmentally disabled children in at least four different geographic areas of Indiana to be established in the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.

### HB 1292: (LS 6518) Ripley (DI:77) County welfare fund.

Allows a county fiscal body to annually adopt an ordinance to transfer an amount not to exceed \$500,000 from the county welfare fund to the county's family and children's fund. Specifies that the transfer must be approved by the state board of tax commissioners.

### HB 1293: (LS 6850) Ripley (DI:73) PERF and TRF benefits.

Allows a member of the public employees' retirement fund or the teachers' retirement

fund to designate a new beneficiary if the member's existing beneficiary dies. Provides that if the member chooses the joint and survivor option and elects to change the member's beneficiary after the death of the existing beneficiary, the member shall receive an actuarially adjusted and recalculated benefit for the remainder of the member's life and the life of the newly designated beneficiary. Provides that if a member chooses the joint and survivor option and the member's beneficiary dies while the member is receiving benefits, the member may elect to receive the guaranteed retirement benefit in an amount equal to the amount that would have been paid to the member if the member had elected the guaranteed retirement benefit on the date of the member's retirement.

### HB 1294: (LS 7032) Avery (DI:71) College and university license plates.

Exempts a special group recognition license plate issued for a college or university from minimum license plate sales requirements.

#### HB 1295: (LS 6853) Avery (DI:2) Monetary awards for academic honors diplomas.

Increases the academic honors diploma award that the state provides to school corporations from \$800 to \$1,000 per student receiving the diploma. Provides that a school corporation must use the award to give scholarships to academic honors diploma recipients who enroll in a program of postsecondary education and use the remainder after providing these scholarships to support honors programs of the school corporation.

#### HB 1296: (LS 6614) Crosby (DI:71) School bus flashing lights.

Requires the state school bus committee to review existing state and federal requirements for the display of flashing yellow and red signal lamps by a school bus coming to a stop to load or unload children to determine: (1) whether children's safety could be increased by requiring the earlier display of flashing red signal lamps; and (2) the feasibility of amending state laws and rules and requesting a change in federal regulations to require the earlier display of red signal lamps. Requires the state school bus committee to report its findings to the legislative council by December 1, 1999.

#### HB 1297: (LS 6746) Crosby (DI:94) Distressed road fund.

Allows a county with a population of not more than 50,000 to apply to the distressed road fund for financial assistance to repair roads if the county has met all requirements. (Current law provides that only counties with more narrowly specified population parameters may apply to the distressed road fund.) Appropriates \$4,000,000 from the state general fund to the distressed road fund.

### HB 1298: (LS 6051) Smith V (DI:69) Handgun licenses and ammunition.

Specifies that a license to carry a handgun may not be more than 2 1/4 inches by 3 ½ inches in size. Provides that a person must provide certain information to other persons before the person may purchase handgun ammunition from the other persons. Requires information concerning the purchase of handgun ammunition to be

forwarded to the superintendent of the state police department.

#### **HB 1299:** (LS 7408) Kruzan (DI:2) Small wineries.

Provides that a small winery may produce, bottle, and sell any wine. (Current law limits these activities to table wine only.) Removes the 100,000 gallon limitation on a small winery's annual production.

### HB 1300: (LS 6035) Smith V (DI:2) Education information by ethnicity and gender.

Requires the department of education to compile statistics concerning the ethnicity and gender of students in Indiana schools from all information concerning students that the department of education receives from school corporations.

### HB 1301: (LS 6032) Smith V (DI:2) Evaluation of school principals.

Prohibits a school principal's performance evaluation from being based in whole or in part on the ISTEP scores of the students who are enrolled at the principal's school.

### HB 1302: (LS 6435) Smith V (DI:51) Restrictions on sale of sexually explicit material.

Restricts the display or sale of sexually explicit material that is harmful to minors to establishments where entry is limited to adults. Exempts video rental businesses.

#### HB 1303: (LS 6033) Smith V (DI:2) School violence study commission.

Establishes a one year school violence study commission with members jointly appointed by the governor and the superintendent of public instruction. Provides that the superintendent of public instruction chairs and funds the commission. Requires the commission to conduct a study and report findings to the legislative council and the executive director of the legislative services agency.

### HB 1304: (LS 6106) Smith V (DI:92) Safe deposit boxes of a deceased person.

Provides that a county assessor or a representative of the department of state revenue who is authorized to examine a safe deposit box of a resident decedent may only examine an item in the safe deposit box to the extent necessary to determine whether the item concerned was owned by the resident decedent. Provides that an assessor or a representative of the department of state revenue who recklessly violates that requirement commits a Class B misdemeanor. Provides that a person who has possession of or control over a safe deposit box held by two individuals as joint tenants is not required on the death of one of the joint tenants to notify the department of state revenue or the county assessor before opening the safe deposit box or to permit either of them to examine the contents of the safe deposit box if: (1) in the document evidencing ownership of the safe deposit box, the word "or" appears between the names of the joint tenants; and (2) the resident decedent's name is listed in the document after the name of the other joint tenants. Provides that a person who has possession of or control over the property may transfer the property to the surviving joint owner.

### **HB 1305:** (LS 6190) Smith V (DI:51) Trafficking with an inmate.

Allows a court to consider a person's employment at a penal facility as an aggravating circumstance or as favoring consecutive terms of imprisonment if the person committed trafficking with an inmate. Makes trafficking with an inmate a Class B felony instead of a Class C felony if the offense involves a deadly weapon.

## HB 1306: (LS 6007) Smith V (DI:75) Lake County public questions.

Allows not more than ten local public questions to be placed on the ballot in Lake County each election. Provides that the results of a local public question are not binding on the political subdivision. Establishes procedures to place a local public question on the ballot.

#### HB 1307: (LS 7401) Crosby (DI:73) State disaster relief fund.

Establishes the state disaster relief fund as a nonreverting fund to provide grants to assist counties, cities, and towns in paying for costs resulting from disasters. Appropriates \$16,000,000 from the state general fund to the state disaster relief fund during the biennium beginning July 1, 1999. Provides that the state emergency management agency administers the grant program. Provides that, except in the case of multiple disasters, a county, city, or town is eligible for a grant only if the damage caused to its public facilities exceeds an amount equal to one dollar multiplied by the population of the county, city, or town.

HB 1308: (LS 7421) Crosby (DI:97)

#### Experimental medical treatment protocols.

Provides that if experimental or nonconventional treatment is to be provided at a hospital, the type of treatment that is to be provided must be approved by the governing board of the hospital or a committee authorized by the governing board to approve experimental or nonconventional treatments provided at the hospital.

### HB 1309: (LS 6866) Crosby (DI:97) Health maintenance organization grievances.

Requires the department of insurance to establish a grievance procedure for appeal to the department for resolution of grievances related to an adverse utilization review or medical necessity determination made by a health maintenance organization, or an agent of a health maintenance organization, that conflicts with the prescribing physician's plan of treatment. Requires the insurance commissioner to appoint or contract with a medical review professional for review of adverse utilization reviews and medical necessity determinations. Requires the commissioner to consider the findings of the medical review professional in the commissioner's action on the grievance. Requires that health maintenance organizations provide a copy of the external grievance procedure to enrollees.

#### HB 1310: (LS 7398) Cook (DI:69) Aggravating circumstances for murder sentences.

Adds to the aggravating circumstances that may be considered in the imposition of the death sentence or a sentence of life imprisonment without parole for murder the circumstance that the victim of the murder was an emergency medical person and: (1) the emergency medical person was acting in the course of duty; or (2) the murder was motivated by an act the emergency medical person performed while acting in the course of duty.

### HB 1311: (LS 7271) Cook (DI:44) Conservancy district assessments.

Gives the board of directors of a conservancy district the option to impose the district's special or exceptional benefits taxes upon the assessed value of the land within the district, without regard to the assessed value of any improvements on that land. (Under current law, the special or exceptional benefits taxes apply to both the land and the improvements on the land.)

### HB 1312: (LS 7180) Whetstone (DI:78) Reservation preference for state parks.

Requires the department of natural resources to accept reservations from residents of the state for overnight accommodations at campgrounds for 60 days before the department begins to accept reservations from nonresidents.

#### HB 1313: (LS 7627) Crawford (DI:75) Candidate names on the ballot.

Provides that a candidate may use only the candidate's legal name, initials of the candidate's legal name, and a nickname on the ballot. Provides that a candidate's legal name is either the name shown on the candidate's birth certificate or the most recent name the candidate has taken at marriage or in a judicial proceeding. (Under current law, a candidate's name appears on the ballot as the candidate's name appears on

the candidate's voter registration record.) Makes technical changes in the statute to conform to the ballot name rule.

#### HB 1314: (LS 7466) Crawford (DI:92) O.

(Opportunity Industrialization Centers) appropriation. Appropriates \$1,500,000 from the state general fund to the department of workforce development, division of employment and training services, office of occupational development - O.I.C. in each year of the biennium.

#### HB 1315: (LS 7160) Bischoff (DI:87) State board of accounts audit threshold.

Provides that an examination of accounts and financial affairs by the state board of accounts of an entity organized as a nonprofit corporation that derives at least 50% but less than \$100,000 of its disbursements from public funds is limited to matters relevant to the use of public money received by the entity.

### HB 1316: (LS 6910) Bischoff (DI:58) Volunteer firefighter tax deduction.

Entitles active volunteer firefighters to an adjusted gross income tax deduction of \$2,000. Applies to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1999.

### HB 1317: (LS 7159) Bischoff (DI:87) Fire protection funds.

Eliminates the firefighting and emergency equipment revolving loan fund (loan fund) and creates the firefighting and emergency equipment grant fund (grant fund) administered by the office of the state fire marshal. Requires a grant to be used for the purchase of firefighting and emergency equipment and other incidental expenses. Repeals the fire safety equipment revolving loan account (loan account) in the build Indiana fund. Releases the obligation of a loan recipient under the loan fund and the loan account to pay the remaining balance due on the principal plus interest of a loan. Transfers funds remaining in the loan fund to the grant fund. Transfers \$500,000 per month to the firefighting and emergency equipment grant fund from the lottery and gaming surplus account in the build Indiana fund.

### HB 1318: (LS 7493) Stevenson (DI:87) Lake County regional transportation authority.

Specifies the entities that appoint members to the Lake County regional transportation authority. Allows the Lake County council to establish an advisory committee to assist the authority board.

## HB 1319: (LS 7593) Cheney (DI:87) Annexation local public question.

Provides that if 10% or 500 voters in an area proposed to be annexed sign a petition that a local public question be placed on the ballot of a primary or general election, the county election board must place the local public question concerning the annexation on the ballot. Provides that an election must be held in the municipality and the territory proposed to be annexed. Provides that if a majority of votes cast at each of the elections are in favor of the proposed annexation, the annexation shall take place unless a remonstrance petition has been filed. Provides that if a majority of votes cast at

one of the elections are not in favor of the proposed annexation, the annexation may not take place and a court must dismiss a pending remonstrance petition and order the annexation not to take place. Requires a municipality to provide written notice of a hearing concerning a proposed annexation to each owner of real property located within the territory proposed to be annexed. Requires the clerk of the municipality to submit a description and map of the territory proposed to be annexed to the circuit court clerk in the county in which the annexed territory is located. Requires the circuit court clerk to determine the registered voters within: (1) the territory proposed to be annexed; and (2) each precinct within the territory proposed to be annexed. Requires the circuit court clerk to submit the voter information to the county election board. Provides that these provisions apply to a municipality that adopts an annexation ordinance after January 1, 1999.

### HB 1320: (LS 7658) Cheney (DI:75) Porter County commissioners.

Provides for the county commissioners of Porter County to be elected from three single-member districts.

### HB 1321: (LS 6967) Crosby (DI:77) Mental health funding.

Annually appropriates for the next two years to the division of mental health \$6,000,000 for substance abuse treatment and \$9,000,000 for services for seriously mentally ill adults. Provides that these amounts are in addition to any amounts appropriated in the state budget bill.

### HB 1322: (LS 7634) Avery (DI:75) Evansville State Hospital property.

Authorizes and directs the state to convey a parcel of real estate of not greater than seven acres under the control of Evansville State Hospital to the American Red Cross, Southwest Indiana Chapter. Requires the real estate to be used for office space by a nonprofit organization. Requires construction of the office building to begin before July 1, 2004.

#### HB 1323: (LS 6542) Mahern (DI:51) Costs of environmental cleanup related to crime

Specifies that a court may require a defendant to pay for the environmental cleanup resulting from manufacturing, financing the manufacture of, advertising, distributing, or possessing with intent to manufacture, finance, advertise, or distribute a substance represented to be a controlled substance or prescription drug.

### HB 1324: (LS 7259) Mahern (DI:44) Change PERF vesting period.

Provides that a member of the public employees' retirement fund is vested in the fund after five years of service instead of ten years of service. Makes conforming amendments.

### HB 1325: (LS 7181) Mahern (DI:87) Establishment of the number of deputy marshals.

Requires the town legislative body to establish the number of deputy marshals by ordinance.

HB 1326: (LS 6774) Mahern (DI:100) Consumer loan origination fees.

Applies the loan origination fee of not more than two percent of the loan amount or line of credit to revolving and nonrevolving consumer loan accounts. (Current law applies the loan origination fee to a consumer loan that is primarily secured by an interest in land.)

#### HB 1327: (LS 6036) Smith V (DI:51) Sex offender treatment program.

Requires the department of correction to provide a centralized program for the treatment of sex offenders and to issue directives to govern the placement of a sex offender into the appropriate sex offender treatment program.

## **HB 1328:** (LS 6066) Smith V (DI:100) Fireworks regulation.

Specifies that all sales of fireworks not approved for sale in Indiana must be made at wholesale.

### HB 1329: (LS 6067) Smith V (DI:100) Prohibit use of fireworks after midnight.

Makes it a Class B misdemeanor to discharge fireworks between the hours of midnight and 10 a.m. The hour restrictions do not apply to a governmental unit or an organization or group of individuals that possesses a permit.

#### HB 1330: (LS 6811) Stevenson (DI:51) Town marshal overtime.

Provides that a town marshal or deputy marshal who is not covered by the federal Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 must be paid time-and-a-half for hours worked in excess of 40 hours.

### HB 1331: (LS 7273) Fry (DI:47) Insurance coverage for infertility treatment.

Requires a group health insurance policy or health maintenance organization (HMO) contract that provides pregnancy related benefits to include coverage for the diagnosis of infertility and coverage for specified infertility treatment procedures in certain circumstances. Exempts policies issued to religious organizations if the fertility treatment procedures offend religious beliefs. Prohibits coverage for procedures that involve the disposal of fertilized eggs.

### HB 1332: (LS 7625) Fry (DI:88) Medical director liability.

Requires a health maintenance organization to appoint a medical director who has an unlimited license to practice medicine in Indiana. (Current law allows a health maintenance organization to appoint a medical director who has an unlimited license to practice medicine in Indiana or an equivalent license issued by another state.) Provides for a duty of ordinary care for the medical director of a health insurance carrier, health maintenance organization, or other managed care entity when making health care treatment decisions involving covered services. Makes the medical director of a health insurance carrier, a health maintenance organization, or other managed care entity liable for harm resulting from health care treatment decisions made without exercising ordinary care.

### HB 1333: (LS 7428) Fry (DI:88) Managed care organization liability.

Provides for a duty of ordinary care for

health insurance carriers, health maintenance organizations, or other managed care entities when making health care treatment decisions. Makes a health insurance carrier, a health maintenance organization, or other managed care entity liable for harm resulting from health care treatment decisions made without exercising ordinary care. Prohibits a health insurance carrier, a health maintenance organization, or other managed care entity from removing a health care provider from, or renewing the status of the health care provider with, the health care plan for advocating on behalf of the insured or enrollee for appropriate and medically necessary care. Prohibits contract indemnification or hold harmless clauses that apply to the acts or conduct of the health insurance carrier, health maintenance organization, or other managed care entity. Establishes the health care appeals program to provide an independent utilization review of a final decision by a health insurance carrier, health maintenance organization, or other managed care entity to deny, reduce, or terminate a benefit. Requires the department of insurance to contract with at least two qualifying independent utilization review agents to provide appeal reviews for the health care appeals program. Provides qualifications that a utilization review agent must meet. Requires a utilization review agent to complete its review and make a determination within 60 days of receiving a completed application for an appeal review and to establish procedures for an expedited review in cases when a delay in receiving a health care service could seriously jeopardize an individual's health or well-being. Requires the utilization review agent to state its findings and recommendations in writing. Makes the

decision of the utilization review agent binding on the health insurance carrier, health maintenance organization, or other managed care entity. Provides that all records associated with an appeal review are confidential. Requires the commissioner of the department of insurance to establish a reasonable, per case reimbursement schedule for utilization review agents. Provides that the health insurance carrier, health maintenance organization, or other managed care entity that is the subject of an appeal review is responsible for paying the reasonable expenses of the utilization review agent that conducted the appeal review. Requires the department of insurance to file reports with the general assembly every six months detailing the activity of the health care appeals program.

## HB 1334: (LS 7570) Fry (DI:97) Health information privacy.

Provides standards for insurer collection. use, and disclosure of an insured's health information. Requires an insurer to have and notify insureds of policies and procedures for the management of health information of its insureds. Provides that an insured has a right to examine the insured's health information and request amendments to the health information if the insured believes the information to be erroneous. Requires an insurer to notify an insured, upon request, of disclosure of the insured's health information. Requires an insurer to obtain authorization from an insured to collect, use, or disclose the insured's health information. Provides for unauthorized collection, use, or disclosure of an insured's health information under certain circumstances, including disclosure to research organizations.

Specifies unauthorized uses of health information by an insurer. Provides limitations on disclosure by an insurer as requested by the insured. Provides penalties for violation of these provisions.

### HB 1335: (LS 7350) Bailey (DI:71) Professional firefighter license plates.

Provides that: (1) only a person who is a full-time, salaried firefighter is eligible to receive an Indiana firefighter license plate; and (2) the bureau of motor vehicles shall consult only with representatives of the Professional Firefighters of Indiana, Inc., in designing the Indiana firefighters license plate.

### HB 1336: (LS 6939) Bailey (DI:92) Prepaid sales tax on gasoline.

Repeals the prepaid sales tax on gasoline. Reverts to the previous system in which the sales tax was collected on the actual retail transaction.

### HB 1337: (LS 7577) Porter (DI:98) Child support proceedings.

Requires a court to order a person who is under a duty to pay child support to pay restitution to the person entitled to receive the child support if the person who is ordered to pay support fails to appear at a child support hearing and the other person has a loss of earnings for attending the hearing. Provides an exception if the person who is ordered to pay child support did not receive proper notice of the hearing. Provides that the restitution order is a judgment lien that may be enforced in the same manner as a judgment lien in a civil proceeding. Applies in paternity and

dissolution of marriage cases.

### HB 1338: (LS 7011) Porter (DI:51) Consolidated city audits.

Requires the state board of accounts to audit the city of Indianapolis.

#### HB 1339: (LS 6923) Oxley (DI:92) School textbooks.

Provides for state payment of the first \$50 of textbook and materials expenses that would otherwise be billed to a student, or to a parent, guardian, or custodian of a student, for textbooks and materials.

### HB 1340: (LS 6110) Kromkowski (DI:97) Retired state employee health insurance.

Requires the state to pay the employer's share of the health insurance premium for retired state employees who are not eligible for Medicare coverage and meet certain other requirements.

## HB 1341: (LS 7128) Kromkowski (DI:44) Enterprise zones.

Increases the maximum permissible population of an enterprise zone from 8,000 to 10,500. Increases the maximum permissible area of an enterprise zone from three square miles to four square miles. Permits the enterprise zone board to review the success of an enterprise zone and to expand the boundaries of the zone after the zone's final phase-out period. (Current law permits such reviews only during specified phase-out periods.)

#### HB 1342: (LS 7390) Kromkowski (DI:94) Railroad train crews.

Requires at least two employees to operate a train that: (1) is carrying hazardous material; (2) is operated over a public crossing; or (3) is operated on or adjacent to a track where a passenger train is operating. Provides penalties for violations.

### HB 1343: (LS 7418) Kromkowski (DI:88) County hospital privileges.

Provides that a practitioner of chiropractic, optometry, or podiatry is eligible for privileges to provide patient care at a county hospital. Allows the hospital's governing board to establish certain standards and rules to govern a practitioner's practice in the hospital and the granting and retention of a practitioner's privileges. Allows a practitioner to appear before a peer review committee before being granted privileges and to have a hearing before a peer review committee before the practitioner's privileges are terminated. Exempts from civil liability the professional review activities of a peer review committee that are made in good faith.

## HB 1344: (LS 7544) Kromkowski (DI:98) Hospital staffing requirements.

Requires a hospital with at least 100 beds to have on duty at all times at least one licensed physician who is assigned to serve only nonemergency patients. Prohibits a hospital from requiring a physician assigned to serve nonemergency patients to serve emergency patients during the same period.

## HB 1345: (LS 7097) Kromkowski (DI:73) TRF military service credit.

Allows a member of the teachers' retirement fund (TRF) to receive credit for past active

military service, not to exceed six years, in computing the member's pension benefit to be paid after July 1, 1999, if the member: (1) has at least ten years of in-state teaching service; (2) served on active duty in the United States armed forces; (3) received an honorable discharge; (4) is not entitled to a military pension; and (5) is not eligible for military service credit under another provision of the TRF law.

#### HB 1346: (LS 7579) Dobis (DI:96) Motor vehicle manufacturers, distributors, and dealers.

Revises the definition of "dealer" to include a person who sells at least five vehicles a year to the general public for delivery in Indiana. (Current law defines a "dealer" as a person who sells at least 12 vehicles a year.) Provides that a license to buy or sell motor vehicles may be denied, suspended, or revoked and a civil penalty of not more than \$1,000 may be imposed for the violation of rules adopted by the bureau of motor vehicles regarding the sale, titling, or registration of vehicles. Provides that a civil penalty of not more than \$15,000 may be imposed by a court for a violation of laws relating to vehicle manufacturers, distributors, and dealers. Allows the bureau of motor vehicles and the attorney general to recover costs and reasonable attorney's fees in a civil action brought relating to vehicle manufacturers, distributors, and dealers. Makes a technical correction to an internal reference.

### HB 1347: (LS 7586) Dobis (DI:96) Educational training for used vehicle dealers.

Requires a natural person and the chief executive officer or president of a

corporation applying for an initial license to buy or sell used motor vehicles to have completed educational training designed to promote good business practices of the purchase and sales of used motor vehicles. Requires the bureau of motor vehicles to adopt rules for the educational training requirements.

#### HB 1348: (LS 6567) Leuck (DI:78) Lake and river enhancement fund.

Specifies that the lake and river enhancement fund is a dedicated fund. Continuously appropriates money in the fund for use implementing lake and river enhancement projects and strikes language requiring the approval of the governor and budget agency to use money in the fund. Requires the treasurer to invest the funds and deposit interest from investments into the fund.

## HB 1349: (LS 6560) Leuck (DI:2) Academic honors diploma award.

Requires an individual to be enrolled in a program of postsecondary education in order to be eligible to receive money from a school corporation for earning an academic honors diploma.

### **HB 1350:** (LS 6008) Smith V (DI:75) Homeless issues study committee.

Establishes the homeless issues study commission to study the feasibility of establishing shelters for the homeless and the extent to which underfunding has exacerbated the problem of homelessness.

### HB 1351: (LS 6404) Steele (DI:51) Ginseng and yellow root hunting on private

#### property.

Makes hunting or harvesting ginseng or goldenseal (also known as yellow root) on privately owned land without the consent of an owner or tenant a nonsuspendible Class C misdemeanor.

### HB 1352: (LS 6672) Steele (DI:92) Proof of paternity for inheritance.

Provides that for the purpose of inheritance on the paternal side, proof of paternity of the child must be established by law in a cause of action filed: (1) during the father's lifetime if the child was born at least one year before the death of the father; (2) during the father's lifetime or within five months after the father's death if the child was born less than one year before the death of the father; or (3) within 11 months after the father's death if the child was born after the death of the father.

# HB 1353: (LS 6096) Steele (DI:98) Modification of visitation orders in paternity cases.

Provides that a court, when modifying a visitation order in a paternity case, shall not restrict a parent's visitation rights unless the court finds that the visitation might endanger the child's physical health or significantly impair the child's emotional development.

### HB 1354: (LS 6570) Steele (DI:96) Probationary drivers licenses.

Provides that an individual who holds a probationary license may not receive an operator's license when the individual is at least 18 years of age if both of the following have occurred, or either of the following

have occurred at least twice, in the 12 months that precede the date on which the individual applies for an operator's license: (1) the individual has been convicted of a moving traffic offense; or (2) the individual has been involved in an accident for which a report is required to be filed and the individual has been determined by a court or jury to be greater than 50% at fault.

### HB 1355: (LS 6234) Crosby (DI:97) Insurance coverage for mental health services.

Requires that coverage for state employees, the Indiana Comprehensive Health Insurance Association, and individual and group accident and sickness insurance policies and contracts with health maintenance organizations cover treatment for mental illness, including substance abuse and chemical dependency. Provides that coverage for treatment for mental illness applies to treatment by a mental health service provider. Prohibits financial or treatment limitations greater than those that apply to treatment for a physical health condition. Requires deductibles or out-of-pocket limits to be comprehensive for treatment for mental illness and physical health conditions. Allows for administration of mental illness benefits by a managed care organization. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Indiana commission on mental health.)

#### HB 1356: (LS 7777) Crosby (DI:77) Office of women's health.

Establishes the office of women's health within the state department of health.

Describes the purposes of the office.

Requires the commissioner of the state

department of health to appoint a director of the office and any other necessary employees to staff the office. Requires the state health commissioner to appoint an advisory committee on women's health to advise the director of the office regarding duties relating to the office. Makes an appropriation.

### HB 1357: (LS 6896) Crawford (DI:77) Community health center funding.

Appropriates \$12,200,000 to the state department of health for state fiscal years 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 for use in planning, establishing, and expanding community health centers that provide comprehensive primary health care services to individuals of all ages. Requires an existing community health center or an entity that wants to become a community health center to apply to the state department of health to receive part of the appropriation. Provides specific requirements the community health center or the entity must meet to qualify for part of the appropriation. Requires the state department of health to review the requirements of current state health programs to identify opportunities where program funds could be pooled to leverage comprehensive health care services to the working poor. Appropriates an additional \$5,000,000 to the state department of health for state fiscal years 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 for renovating or constructing community health care facilities.

#### **HB 1358:** (LS 7522) Crawford (DI:51) Hate crimes.

Requires law enforcement agencies to

collect and report information concerning crimes in which the victim was selected because of the victim's color, creed. disability, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or sex. Requires the Indiana criminal justice institute to submit a compiled report of this information to each law enforcement agency. Allows a person who suffers a pecuniary loss to bring a civil action to recover damages, including punitive damages, if the loss occurred as a result of the actions of a person who knowingly or intentionally selected the victim because of the color, creed, disability, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or sex of the victim. Makes commission of a crime because of the color, creed, disability, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or sex of the victim an aggravating circumstance that may be considered by a judge when the judge imposes a sentence for the crime. Expands the scope of the offenses relating to civil rights to include violations directed at a person because of the person's sexual orientation.

# HB 1359: (LS 6111) Steele (DI:73) Tax deduction for federal civil service retirement benefits.

Provides an adjusted gross income tax deduction for the entire taxable portion of amounts received by an individual from a federal civil service annuity. Repeals a provision that allows a deduction of up to \$2,000 received from a federal civil service annuity.

HB 1360: (LS 7168) Cochran (DI:58) Sales tax rebates on new manufacturing equipment.

Allows the economic development for a growing economy board the option of providing sales tax rebates to purchasers of new manufacturing equipment under the economic development for a growing economy tax credit program.

## HB 1361: (LS 7157) Cochran (DI:58) Textbook funding.

Provides an annual state textbook grant to school corporations of \$85 per ADM for providing textbooks to students. Abolishes the textbook rental program and the school textbook library program. Redefines "textbook" to include the various kinds of instructional materials currently eligible for state reimbursement under the textbook assistance program for students from low income families. Continues the textbook reimbursement program for nonpublic school students from low income families. Requires a school corporation to establish a textbook fund and to appropriate money from the fund to acquire textbooks to loan to all students without charge. Makes conforming changes and transitional provisions.

### HB 1362: (LS 7568) Summers (DI:94) Unsafe buildings and disposal of property.

Allows a receiver in possession of property to sell the property. Provides for repair alternatives for unsafe buildings in a receivership. Exempts certain redevelopment property in blighted areas in Marion County from multiple appraisals. Makes certain other changes.

### HB 1363: (LS 7084) Summers (DI:71) Uniforms for public school.

Allows the governing body of a school corporation to adopt and implement a school uniform policy for the school corporation. Allows a parent to receive for the parent's child an exemption from wearing a school uniform. Requires a school corporation to establish a program to assist students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches with the purchase of uniforms.

### HB 1364: (LS 7762) Summers (DI:76) Project IMPACT.

Authorizes Project IMPACT USA, Inc., a national nonprofit organization, to develop and implement affiliate Project IMPACT organizations in Evansville, Fort Wayne, Gary, Indianapolis, and South Bend. Requires the five Project IMPACT affiliate organizations established in Indiana to offer a comprehensive family restoration program that provides delinquency prevention services to problematic youth and their families, including individuals referred to the program by juvenile courts, local schools, and community organizations. Provides that the objectives of Project IMPACT are to: (1) reduce the number of arrests; (2) reduce the number of school suspensions; (3) reduce the number of youth referred to the juvenile courts; (4) increase a troubled youth's ability to cope with daily problems; (5) improve parent-child relationships; and (6) change conventional methods of youth incarceration by providing positive alternatives to various difficult situations for youth. Requires Project IMPACT to provide the following programs: (1) A juvenile diversion program. (2) A school dropout prevention program. (3) A job training and placement program. (4) A parent education program. (5) Spirituality

counseling. Appropriates \$5,000,000 to the office of the secretary of family and social services to provide a grant to Project IMPACT USA, Inc. that must be used for developing and implementing the five Project IMPACT affiliate organizations in Indiana.

# HB 1365: (LS 6851) Goeglein (DI:97) Employer sponsored children's insurance subsidies.

Provides for subsidies to be paid from the children's health trust fund for the employee's share of premiums and costs of dependent child coverage under employer sponsored group health plans for children who are eligible for the children's health insurance program (CHIP). Provides certain requirements that must be met before a subsidy may be paid. Requires the office of the children's health insurance program to annually evaluate the number of children covered under the children's health insurance program who were previously covered under an employer sponsored group health plan. Establishes the children's health trust fund for the purpose of subsidizing children's health programs.

### HB 1366: (LS 7086) Goeglein (DI:47) Review of HMO medical determinations.

Establishes that an adverse utilization review or medical necessity determination made by a health maintenance organization (HMO) that conflicts with the patient's attending physician's plan of treatment, is an unfair claim settlement practice. Provides for the commissioner of insurance to appoint or contract with a physician for review of adverse utilization review and medical necessity determinations. Requires that

HMOs provide notice to enrollees or subscribers of the right to file a complaint with the department of insurance for review of adverse utilization review or medical necessity determinations that conflict with the patient's attending physician's plan of treatment.

#### HB 1367: (LS 7407) Kuzman (DI:87) Construction contracts.

Provides that the following provisions are void in a construction contract (other than a contract for the construction, alteration, or repair of a family dwelling unit or units intended for long term residential occupancy): (1) An agreement that subcontractors, mechanics, journeymen, laborers, or persons performing labor or furnishing materials or machinery for construction on real estate waive rights to hold a lien or to a claim against a payment bond. (2) A provision making the contract subject to the laws of another state or requiring that any litigation, arbitration, or other dispute resolution process on the contract occur in another state. Provides that "no lien" contracts may only be included in a construction contract for the construction, alteration, or repair of a family dwelling unit or units intended for long term residential occupancy. Requires a mortgage provided by a supervised financial institution, an insurance company, a pension fund, or other lender to have priority over all mechanic's liens to the extent of funds actually owed to the lender for the specific project to which lien rights relate.

HB 1368: (LS 7715) Kuzman (DI:78) Solid waste district fees.

Requires a solid waste district to distribute money in the district's solid waste management fund at the end of the fiscal year as follows: (1) 12.5% to the county or municipality in which a final disposal facility is located for use on roads, parks, or other infrastructure projects within the township or municipality in which the facility is located; and (2) 12.5% to the school corporation in which the facility is located for educational programs that concern the environment.

### HB 1369: (LS 7681) Kuzman (DI:69) Pretrial release information.

Requires a clerk of a court that has jurisdiction over a person admitted to bail to: (1) prepare a record containing certain information about the person; (2) update the record on a monthly basis; and (3) post a copy of the record in the clerk's office.

Requires a clerk to submit to the Indiana criminal justice institute an annual report that contains certain information about persons admitted to bail gathered by the clerk during the preceding year. Requires the Indiana criminal justice institute to make annual reports submitted to the institute available for public inspection and copying during regular office hours.

# HB 1370: (LS 7699) Bischoff (DI:78) Prohibit taking of endangered species.

Imposes a civil fine of \$500 for a first violation and \$1,000 for subsequent violations, in addition to criminal penalties, upon a person who violates a law concerning unlawfully taking or possessing an endangered species.

#### HB 1371: (LS 7365) Bischoff (DI:94) Conservancy district investments.

Allows the Lawrenceburg conservancy district to invest public funds in municipal securities and equity securities. Allows the Lawrenceburg conservancy district investments to have a maturity of not more than five years. (Current state law restricts public funds to investments that have a maturity of not more than two years.)

# HB 1372: (LS 7647) Bischoff (DI:97) Group health insurance and preexisting conditions.

Removes provisions allowing insurers to exclude or limit coverage based on evidence of insurability in group accident and sickness insurance policies.

## HB 1373: (LS 7285) Bischoff (DI:44) County option fees.

Allows a county containing an Indiana state park, reservoir, forest, or recreation area to impose a recoupment fee on each motor vehicle that is admitted to the state park. reservoir, forest, or recreation area. Provides that the recoupment fee may not exceed \$1 per vehicle. Requires the department of natural resources to collect the recoupment fees. Requires the recoupment fees to be used to assist the local unit of government that provides police protection, fire protection, emergency medical services, and road repairs. Provides that a recoupment fee imposed by a county on motor vehicles admitted to a recreation facility that is under a lease arrangement with the United States Army Corps of Engineers must be approved by the United States Army Corps of Engineers before the recoupment fee is

collected.

# HB 1374: (LS 7118) Bischoff (DI:73) Appropriation for volunteer firefighters monument.

Appropriates \$100,000 to the Indiana department of administration for the purchase and placement on the state capitol building grounds of a monument honoring volunteer firefighters who have died in the line of duty.

# HB 1375: (LS 6848) Bischoff (DI:2) Sampling alcoholic beverages.

Provides that alcoholic beverage retailers may allow customers to sample limited quantities of wines (if the retailer holds a two-way permit) or wines, liquors, liqueurs, and cordials (if the retailer holds a three-way permit) on the retailer's premises and during regular business hours. Provides that package liquor stores may allow customers to sample limited quantities of liquors at the store during regular business hours.

#### HB 1376: (LS 7721) Porter (DI:2) Medically accurate education.

Requires the provision of medically accurate information at the various times that health, AIDS, HIV, or abstinence education is required by statute.

#### HB 1377: (LS 7648) Whetstone (DI:94) Enhanced emergency telephone system fees.

Requires a county to distribute the balance of the county's emergency telephone system fund to each unit in the county in an amount proportional to the amount of the fund contributed to the fund by service users in the unit. Provides that the distributions are made quarterly. Requires that the funds distributed may only be used for purposes allowed for the county emergency telephone system fund.

#### HB 1378: (LS 6794) Smith V (DI:96) Police officer and firefighter residency.

Enables a municipality that has a population of more than 110,000 but less than 120,000 to adopt an ordinance to require newly hired members of the municipality's police or fire department to live within the municipality until the members have served in the department for five years.

## HB 1379: (LS 6936) Smith V (DI:96) Law enforcement training.

Prohibits a political subdivision that employs or has investigated and approved but not yet hired a law enforcement officer from paying the costs of instruction for the officer's attendance at a pre-basic course of training. Prohibits a town from paying for the cost of attendance of a town marshal's basic training. Prohibits a political subdivision from paying for the cost of attendance of the mandatory basic training for law enforcement officers.

## HB 1380: (LS 6701) Smith V (DI:100) Group health insurance for schools.

Provides that a public school corporation is entitled to participate in any group health programs established for state employees upon payment of the required premiums.

#### HB 1381: (LS 6663) Smith V (DI:75) Runoff elections for local offices.

Authorizes holding a runoff election as a special election if none of the candidates for nomination for a local office receives more than 50% of the votes cast in a primary election. Authorizes holding a runoff election as a special election if none of the candidates for election to a local office receives more than 50% of the votes cast in a general or municipal election. Requires a municipality's legislative body to adopt an ordinance to authorize runoff elections for municipal offices. Requires a county legislative body to adopt an ordinance to authorize runoff elections for local offices other than municipal offices.

#### **HB 1382:** (**LS 6277**) Smith V (**DI:58**) Firearms tax.

Imposes a 5% tax on the sale of firearms by retail merchants. Exempts purchases made by the state or a local unit of government. Provides that one-half of the revenue from the tax shall be distributed to the local unit of government in which the firearm was purchased, and the remaining one-half of the revenue shall be distributed to the violent crime victims compensation fund. Requires that the revenue received by a local unit be used only for law enforcement.

#### HB 1383: (LS 6497) Lytle (DI:97) Medicare supplement for retired state employees.

Requires the state to provide a Medicare supplement for each retired employee who: (1) retires after June 30, 1999; (2) is eligible for Medicare coverage; and (3) meets certain employment requirements. Provides that the state may elect to pay any part of the retired employee's premium for the Medicare supplement. Provides that a retired employee

who is eligible for the Medicare supplement may elect to have the employee's spouse covered under the Medicare supplement. Provides that the surviving spouse's eligibility for the Medicare supplement ends on the date of the spouse's remarriage.

## HB 1384: (LS 7417) Lytle (DI:2) Indiana rural fire protection initiative.

Establishes the Indiana rural fire protection initiative (INRFPI) to provide assistance to rural fire departments and complement grant programs established by the United States government for assisting rural fire departments. Provides for administration of the program by the department of natural resources.

## HB 1385: (LS 7256) Lytle (DI:77) Museum for Madison State Hospital.

Allows the Jefferson County Historical Society to lease the Gate House from Madison State Hospital. Provides that the property must be used for public charitable, educational, scientific, and general museum purposes. Provides for certain requirements in the lease.

# HB 1386: (LS 7072) Lytle (DI:78) Fishing license exemption.

Exempts a developmentally disabled person from the requirement to have a fishing license if the person: (1) is a resident of Indiana; and (2) is fishing with a person who holds a fishing license or is exempt from the license requirement by reason of age or blindness.

#### HB 1387: (LS 6627) Sturtz (DI:69) County inmate public works crews.

Allows a county sheriff to establish a program that allows county jail inmates to perform work outside of the jail on county inmate public works crews. Specifies inmate eligibility requirements for participation on crews. Requires inmates to dress in distinctive county jail uniforms while performing work on crews. Allows a sheriff to require a crew to perform any work the sheriff determines to be appropriate and of benefit to the community except for work involving the construction, reconstruction, alteration, or renovation of a public building, airport facility, or other structure that is paid for out of a public fund or out of a special assessment.

# HB 1388: (LS 6888) Sturtz (DI:73) Property tax exemptions.

Provides that the property tax exemption for certain property that is stored in Indiana for shipment to an out-of-state destination and is in its original package also applies to property that is not stored in its original package if packaging is not practical until receipt of a final customer order.

# HB 1389: (LS 6198) Sturtz (DI:98) Limitation on child support for post-secondary expenses.

Limits the amount of child support a court may order a noncustodial parent to pay for post-secondary educational expenses in both dissolution and paternity cases to the cost of the state educational institution closest to the child's home, minus the portion of the expenses to be borne by the child, multiplied by the noncustodial parent's percentage share of the total weekly adjusted income of both parents unless the noncustodial parent consents to the choice of institution.

## HB 1390: (LS 6723) Sturtz (DI:73) Property tax levy appeal for jail funding.

Allows Noble County to petition the state board of tax commissioners to increase the county's property tax levy in excess of its maximum permissible levy if the local government tax control board finds that the county needs the increase to meet the county's share of the costs of operating a jail or juvenile detention center opened after December 31, 1991.

#### HB 1391: (LS 7021) Sturtz (DI:2) Penalties for sale of alcohol to minors.

Makes it a Class A misdemeanor instead of a Class C misdemeanor for a person to recklessly sell, barter, exchange, provide, or furnish an alcoholic beverage to a minor. Provides penalties on a progressive scale for retailer and dealer permittees for subsequent violations of recklessly supplying minors with alcoholic beverages.

# HB 1392: (LS 6994) Sturtz (DI:2) Salary matrix for excise police officers.

Provides that the salary matrix for excise police officers must have parity with the salary matrices prescribed for conservation officers of the department of natural resources.

## HB 1393: (LS 7476) Sturtz (DI:69) Tort claims against governmental entities.

Provides that a governmental entity or an employee of a governmental entity acting within the scope of the employee's employment is not liable if a loss results from: (1) a decision made by the fiscal body of the governmental entity not to allocate or

appropriate funds to be used to adopt or enforce a law, rule, or regulation; (2) the negligent, wanton, reckless, or intentional act of a person under duty of care of the governmental entity that is directed toward the person or property of the person or another person; or (3) a decision made by the governmental entity, with duty of care, not to purchase video monitoring equipment or other communication monitoring equipment.

#### HB 1394: (LS 7557) Cook (DI:94) Motor vehicle dealers sales.

Makes it a Class B misdemeanor for a person who is in the business of buying, selling, or trading motor vehicles to buy, sell, or trade motor vehicle parts, accessories, or paraphernalia on Sunday.

## HB 1395: (LS 6715) Smith V (DI:76) Handgun licenses and safety education.

Prohibits a handgun license from being issued to a person who has not participated in handgun safety education approved by the superintendent of the state police department. Requires the superintendent to adopt a policy that specifies the criteria of adequate handgun safety education.

# HB 1396: (LS 6969) Crosby (DI:77) Medicaid outpatient mental health reimbursement.

Requires the office of the secretary of family and social services to amend a rule to include certain school psychologists and advanced practice nurses as providers of Medicaid reimbursable physician directed outpatient mental health services for group, family, and individual outpatient mental health services, subject to rules governing prior authorization and supervision.

#### HB 1397: (LS 7768) Pelath (DI:69) Publications sent to confined persons.

Requires that books and periodical publications sent to persons confined in department of correction facilities must be mailed directly from the publisher unless the confined person receives prior approval from the superintendent to receive a book or periodical publication from another source.

## **HB 1398:** (LS 6906) Brown C (DI:94) Northwest Indiana transportation.

Extends the northwest Indiana commuter rail and transportation study commission through 2001. Provides for the appointment of a vice chairperson.

# HB 1399: (LS 6361) Brown C (DI:75) Public question and retention election information.

Requires preparation and mailing of a pamphlet to registered voters concerning: (1) the retention election of judicial offices; and (2) a public question. Specifies: (1) information to be provided; (2) mailing dates; and (3) provisions governing public review and comments.

# HB 1400: (LS 6339) Brown C (DI:75) Legislative study commissions and committees.

Establishes a fixed number of specified legislative study committees. Requires a legislative study to be assigned to one of the legislative study committees. Provides that a legislative study committee consists of 12 members, six appointed from each house of

the general assembly and equally divided between the political parties. Provides that the president pro tempore and the speaker of the house of representatives may each appoint two additional members to a study committee. Requires that the members of a legislative study committee must be appointed from the standing committee of each house that has subject matter jurisdiction of the subject matter of the study. Provides general procedures for the operation of a legislative study committee. Repeals existing statutory study committees. Makes conforming amendments.

#### **HB 1401:** (LS 7035) Brown C (DI:75) Similar names on ballots.

Provides that if two or more candidates for nomination or election to the same office have the same or similar surnames and any of the candidates is currently holding the office, the word "Incumbent" shall appear next to the names of all incumbents.

# HB 1402: (LS 6397) Brown C (DI:51) Lake superior court.

Abolishes the superior court of Lake County. Establishes the Lake superior court. Provides for the election of the judges of the new court. Repeals the statute establishing the abolished court and deletes cross-references to the repealed law.

# HB 1403: (LS 7483) Brown C (DI:88) Advanced practice nurse services.

Adds services provided by advanced practice nurses to the services that are provided under Medicaid, so long as those services are rendered in a school based clinic, community health center, or federally qualified health center. Provides that an advanced practice nurse is eligible for direct reimbursement from Medicaid for providing services in a school based clinic, community health center, or federally qualified health center.

## HB 1404: (LS 7581) Brown C (DI:101) Continuing education for physicians and nurses.

Requires the medical licensing board of Indiana to adopt rules that establish continuing education requirements designed to maintain the competency of physicians, including requirements that only clinical courses may satisfy the continuing education requirements and that Internet based courses may only satisfy a maximum of 10% of the continuing education requirements. Requires physicians to submit proof of having obtained the necessary continuing education requirements to renew their licenses. Requires the Indiana state board of nursing to adopt rules that establish continuing education requirements designed to maintain the competency of nurses, including requirements that only clinical courses may satisfy the continuing education requirements and that Internet based courses may only satisfy a maximum of 10% of the continuing education requirements. Requires nurses to submit proof of having obtained the necessary continuing education requirements.

## HB 1405: (LS 6338) Brown C (DI:75) Gary school board elections.

Provides that a general statute relating to changing the structure of the governing body of a school corporation does not apply to the governing body of the Gary school corporation. Provides standards for election of the members of the governing body of the Gary school corporation on a nonpartisan basis. Provides that a candidate who violated the standards and is elected may be removed from office. Provides that the school corporation is still required to provide the superintendent of public instruction with information about the members of its governing board. Makes technical changes.

## HB 1406: (LS 6302) Brown C (DI:77) Gary mental health center board.

Provides for the appointment of the 15 members of the governing board of a community mental health center located in Gary, Indiana. Provides for other details of membership on the governing board. Terminates the term of office of current members of the governing board of the Gary community mental health center, effective January 1, 2000.

#### HB 1407: (LS 7484) Brown T (DI:87) Appointment of executive director.

Allows the county executive to appoint an executive director for a county advisory plan commission. Provides that the executive director of a county advisory or area plan commission may be removed for cause by a majority vote of the county executive.

#### HB 1408: (LS 7696) Frenz (DI:101) Certification of food handlers.

Creates the Indiana food handlers certification board. Requires that on and after January 1, 2001, every food facility in Indiana have at least one certified food handler. Provides that a food facility that commences operation, changes ownership,

or no longer has a certified food handler has six months to submit the name of its certified food handler to the board. Sets qualifications for a certified food handler, including the passage of a board approved written examination on food protection practices. Requires that board approved examinations be given at least four times each year. Requires the board to approve or deny an application for certification within 30 days after receiving it. Provides that a certificate issued by the board expires five years from the date of issuance and may be renewed if the certificate holder successfully completes a recertification training course approved by the board. Sets subject requirements for recertification training courses. Requires that the board develop and maintain a statewide computerized data base containing statewide and countywide registries of certified food handlers and the food facilities that they serve.

#### **HB 1409:** (LS 7450) Day (DI:73) Child care tax credit.

Provides a refundable child care tax credit against state income tax liability equal to: (1) the lesser of \$400 or 20% of the taxpayer's employment related child care expenses if the taxpayer's adjusted gross income is not more than \$20,000; and (2) the lesser of \$200 or 10% of the taxpayer's employment related child care expenses if the taxpayer's adjusted gross income is more than \$20,000 and not more than \$25,000.

# HB 1410: (LS 7469) Day (DI:77) Infant hearing loss testing.

Adds hearing examinations to the tests required under the newborn screening

program. Requires insurance policies and group contracts that provide maternity benefits to pay for the tests required under the newborn screening program. Establishes the newborn hearing screening and intervention advisory board to provide advice and recommendations on issues concerning hearing impairment. Sunsets the board on July 1, 2002. Provides that facilities that have less than 100 births a year are not required to provide infant hearing screening until July 1, 2000.

# HB 1411: (LS 7419) Day (DI:58) Health program funding.

Adds an additional two cents per pack tax on cigarettes. Provides that the additional revenue shall be deposited in the state general fund. Increases the amount of the appropriation from the state general fund for the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program, the Maternal and Child Health (MCH) services program, the school age child care project (SACC), and the local health maintenance fund. Creates and funds additional nutrition programs for persons eligible for MCH services. Allows MCH funding to go to programs other than pregnancy care and delivery. Creates the community health care center fund, which is to be administered by the state department of health. Provides funding for the community health care center fund from the state general fund. Authorizes the community health center fund to grant funds to community health centers for the planning or establishment of a new center, the expansion of a center, the operating expenses of a community health center, and other similar purposes approved by the department of health. Establishes the local health

department development fund. Authorizes grants to local health departments for training, research, equipment, and development of the departments. Provides an annual appropriation to the local health department development fund to cover the grants.

## HB 1412: (LS 6805) Liggett (DI:73) Economic development incentives; training funds.

Defines "working wage." Adds working wage requirements to the requirements for enterprise zone credits, economic revitalization area deductions, neighborhood assistance credits, EDGE credits, and job training funds for projects that primarily benefit an identifiable employer. Makes mandatory a statement of benefits regarding working wages in an enterprise zone credit application. Defines "new job" for purposes of the EDGE credit provisions. Limits the uses of funding for comprehensive job training and related services to projects that hire employees at the working wage.

## HB 1413: (LS 6785) Liggett (DI:94) Worker's compensation benefits.

Increases the compensation benefits per degree of permanent partial impairment for worker's compensation through 2002. Provides increases in the worker's compensation average weekly wage through 2001.

#### HB 1414: (LS 6943) Liggett (DI:71) Indiana education employment relations board.

Authorizes the Indiana education employment relations board to issue certain orders and impose certain requirements on a person who commits an unfair practice. Provides that the Indiana education employment relations board is an agency subject to the Administrative Orders and Procedures Act.

## HB 1415: (LS 7396) Liggett (DI:101) Countywide toll free calling.

Prohibits a telephone company from charging long distance rates for service provided within a county regardless of whether different telephone service areas are involved. Prohibits the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) from approving rate increases to cover the expense of complying with this law. Specifies that regulatory procedures established by the IURC for changes in telephone service areas do not apply to this law.

# HB 1416: (LS 7543) Robertson (DI:2) Nonresident fishing fees.

Establishes the fee for the various nonresident licenses and stamps to fish in an amount equal to the fee the nonresident's state charges Indiana residents for a similar privilege. Allows the department of natural resources to: (1) charge a nonresident the same fee as an Indiana resident if the nonresident's state of residence gives fee reciprocity to Indiana residents; and (2) enter into fishing fee reciprocity agreements with other states.

#### HB 1417: (LS 7379) Robertson (DI:58) State textbook funding for school corporations.

Provides an annual state textbook grant to school corporations of \$85 per ADM for providing textbooks to students. Abolishes the textbook rental program and the school textbook library program. Redefines "textbook" to include the various kinds of instructional materials currently eligible for state reimbursement under the textbook assistance program for students from low income families. Continues the textbook reimbursement program for nonpublic school students from low income families. Requires a school corporation to establish a textbook fund and to appropriate money from the fund to acquire textbooks to loan to all students without charge. Makes conforming changes and transitional provisions.

## **HB 1418:** (LS 6868) Grubb (DI:75) Local office campaign finance reports.

Requires a county election board to mail campaign finance report forms to candidates for local office 21 days before the reports are due. (Under current law, a county election board may implement this practice.) Provides that a county election board may, but is not required to, impose a civil penalty on a candidate who fails to file a statement of organization or a campaign finance report. (Under current law, a county election board is required to impose a penalty.) Reduces the penalty cap for violations by a candidate for a local office from \$1.000 to \$250. Provides that a committee for a candidate for a local office is only required to file an annual campaign finance report for a year in which the committee spends not more than \$1,000 and receives contributions and other income of not more than \$1,000. Provides that a candidate for a local office is not required to file large contribution reports.

HB 1419: (LS 7513) Ayres (DI:76)

#### Penalty enhancements for offenses near schools.

Increases the penalty for battery, criminal trespass, and intimidation from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class D felony if the offense is committed against a person who is on, in, or within 1,000 feet of school property.

# HB 1420: (LS 6946) Duncan (DI:92) Independent living services.

Appropriates \$375,000 to the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services for state fiscal year 2000. Appropriates \$560,000 to the division of disability, aging. and rehabilitative services for state fiscal year 2001 and each state fiscal year thereafter. Provides that the amounts appropriated are to be used to do the following: (1) support existing centers of independent living; (2) expand independent living services provided by centers for independent living in unserved areas of Indiana as prescribed in the state independent living plan; and (3) support activities of the Indiana Council on Independent Living as identified in the state independent living plan.

# **HB 1421: (LS 6846)** Duncan (DI:98) Aquaculture.

Provides that a person engaged in the business of aquaculture is eligible for the same consideration for grant and loan programs as a person engaged in other forms of farming.

#### HB 1422: (LS 7336) Duncan (DI:100) Cemetery preservation.

Requires the board of commissioners of a

county to appoint a county cemetery commission. Changes control of cemeteries from the township trustee to the county legislative body. Makes conforming amendments.

#### HB 1423: (LS 6792) Duncan (DI:94) Repayment of loans for fire equipment.

Forgives and releases the obligation of a community or provider listed in P.L.340-1995, SECTION 37, for a loan issued under the fire safety revolving loan account to repay the loan.

# HB 1424: (LS 6919) Duncan (DI:69) Vehicle impoundment for driving while intoxicated.

Requires a court to issue an order impounding a vehicle and the license plate for the vehicle if: (1) the vehicle is used by a person to commit certain offenses concerning operating a vehicle while intoxicated; and (2) the person has committed at least two offenses concerning operating a vehicle while intoxicated within six years. Specifies that a court must order a vehicle and the license plate for the vehicle impounded: (1) for 90 days if the court finds the person committed two unrelated offenses concerning operating a vehicle while intoxicated within six years; (2) for 180 days if the court finds the person committed three unrelated offenses concerning operating a vehicle while intoxicated within six years; and (3) until the person successfully completes a court ordered and approved drug or alcohol abuse deterrent program if the court finds the person committed more than three unrelated offenses concerning operating a vehicle while intoxicated within six years. Provides protections for innocent

owners of vehicles subject to impoundment orders.

# HB 1425: (LS 6686) Duncan (DI:73) Tax deduction for military retirement and survivor benefits.

Provides an adjusted gross income tax deduction for retirement or survivor's benefits received by an individual for service in an active or reserve component of the armed forces of the United States. Deletes a provision in existing law that provides a partial deduction for these retirement or survivor's benefits.

#### HB 1426: (LS 7093) Duncan (DI:58) Women veterans' memorial.

Appropriates to the Indiana department of veterans affairs \$25,000 to be contributed toward the construction of a memorial honoring women veterans at Arlington Cemetery in Washington, D.C.

## HB 1427: (LS 6458) Duncan (DI:87) Right of way for emergency vehicles.

Requires the operator of a vehicle approaching a stationary emergency vehicle with flashing lights to change lanes or reduce the speed of the vehicle.

## HB 1428: (LS 6791) Duncan (DI:94) Computerized telephone emergency warnings.

Allows a county or municipality to use 911 funds for a computerized telephone warning system that warns residents of an emergency situation by placing a telephone call to service users.

#### HB 1429: (LS 7521) Pelath (DI:51)

#### Antiterrorism fund.

Establishes the state of Indiana antiterrorism fund, to be administered by the department of fire and building services. Specifies that the purpose of the fund is to provide money to: (1) regional hazardous materials response teams; and (2) other entities providing terrorism response. Appropriates \$300,000 to the state of Indiana antiterrorism fund.

#### HB 1430: (LS 7606) Bottorff (DI:94) Port commission.

Provides that the Indiana port commission is a governmental entity subject to the Indiana tort claims act. Provides that a tenant, lessee, licensee, or other person has no claim in state property in a state port or port project unless the port commission enters an agreement specifying the conditions for the interest and a legal description of the property.

#### HB 1431: (LS 7539) Bottorff (DI:94) Local use of money market mutual funds.

Allows a municipal corporation or a special taxing district to invest in money market mutual funds. Restricts the investment of public funds to an investment fund that has a portfolio limited to obligations of the federal government or fully collateralized repurchase agreements backed by the direct obligation of the federal government. Requires the mutual fund to have a rating of AAAm from Standard and Poor's Corporation or Aaa from Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

# HB 1432: (LS 7618) Fry (DI:47) Demutualization of insurance companies.

Replaces the current statutory mechanism under which a mutual insurance company may demutualize and become a stock insurance company. Specifies the contents of a plan of conversion that must be approved by the commissioner of insurance after a public hearing and after a vote of eligible members of the mutual insurance company. Protects the confidentiality of financial information and trade secrets that may be submitted to the commissioner under certain circumstances. Establishes procedures to be followed when allocating and distributing consideration to eligible members. Permits the use of a closed block to preserve dividends for policyholders. Unless otherwise provided by the plan of conversion, establishes limits on the initial ownership and sale of the stock of the new company.

## HB 1433: (LS 6798) Smith V (DI:96) Leases or contracts by public bodies.

Requires a public hearing to be held and notice by publication to be given to all interested persons when the following propose to enter into a lease or contract: (1) A hospital authority. (2) A municipally owned utility. (3) A municipally owned waterworks. (4) A municipal department of storm water management. (5) A waterway management district in East Chicago. (6) A levee authority in Evansville. (7) A board of sanitary commissioners in certain second cities or a municipality in Lake County. (8) A park and recreation board. (9) A board of park commissioners in certain second and third class cities. (10) A municipal recreation board that has been appointed as the park authority. (11) A municipal park and recreation board in Carmel.

### HB 1434: (LS 7451) Grubb (DI:101) Registration of solicitors and fundraisers.

Requires a professional solicitor to submit the following information to the consumer protection division of the office of the attorney general after a solicitation campaign has ended: (1) the total gross amount of money raised by the professional solicitor and the charitable organization; (2) the total amount of money paid to or retained by the professional solicitor; (3) the total amount of expenses paid by the charitable organization, excluding money paid to the professional solicitor; and (4) the total amount of money paid to or retained by the charitable organization, after expenses and money paid to the professional solicitor are deducted. Provides that the attorney general may impose fines on professional fundraiser consultants and professional solicitors for the late filing of reports.

#### HB 1435: (LS 6454) Stevenson (DI:87) Northwest Indiana law enforcement training center

Removes the July 1, 2000, expiration date from a provision that allows the northwest Indiana law enforcement training center to provide basic training to a law enforcement officer who meets certain requirements.

# HB 1436: (LS 6455) Stevenson (DI:87) Law enforcement basic training allowance.

Provides that a law enforcement agency or the northwest Indiana law enforcement training center is entitled to a \$2000 allowance for each trainee from the law enforcement training fund to defray costs of basic training approved by the law enforcement training board. (Current law provides that a law enforcement agency or the northwest Indiana law enforcement training center is entitled to a per capita allowance.)

# HB 1437: (LS 7788) Pelath (DI:94) Interstate 94 transportation corridor study.

Requires the Indiana department of transportation to study the I-94 transportation corridor between LaPorte County and Porter County and to study the feasibility of adding an interchange at County Line Road between LaPorte County and Porter County. Requires the Indiana department of transportation to prepare an annual report for the governor and the general assembly until the studies are completed. Appropriates \$150,000 for the study.

#### HB 1438: (LS 7220) Becker (DI:71) State advisory council for medical education.

Establishes a state advisory council to support medical education. Provides that the state advisory council consists of two representatives from each community advisory council. Provides that each community advisory council selects its own representatives to the state council.

## HB 1439: (LS 7724) Crawford (DI:94) Check cashing services.

Requires that persons licensed by the department of financial institutions to cash checks must display business notices, instructions for filing a complaint, and all the licensee's documents that are part of the check cashing transaction in both English and Spanish. Requires the licensee to use numerical examples of the check cashing

fees charged.

#### HB 1440: (LS 7728) Crawford (DI:51) Small claims courts in Marion County.

Provides for the election of Marion County small claims court judges on a countywide basis from a list of candidates compiled from two groups of five candidates selected by the major political parties. Provides for a unified salary schedule for small claims court personnel. Repeals provisions providing hearings in 1975 to determine which townships in Marion County would have full-time or part-time small claims courts. Makes other changes.

## HB 1441: (LS 6904) Summers (DI:2) Bargaining for certain IPS employees.

Provides certain collective bargaining and discussion rights for employees in the Indianapolis public schools who provide educational services but are not teachers on matters that are currently bargainable or discussible for these employees in other school systems.

# HB 1442: (LS 6955) Summers (DI:71) Teacher employment issues.

Adds final offer mediation-arbitration as an alternative method of collective bargaining for education personnel. Includes certain state educational institutions in school units required to bargain collectively with employees.

# HB 1443: (LS 7348) Summers (DI:97) Insurance coverage for contraceptives.

Requires insurers, health maintenance organizations, limited service health

maintenance organizations, preferred provider plans, and comprehensive health insurance policies that: (1) provide coverage for basic health care services; and (2) provide coverage for outpatient prescription drugs and outpatient services provided by health care providers, to provide equal coverage for contraceptive drugs, devices, and services.

# HB 1444: (LS 7698) Dickinson (DI:75) Contracting out government services.

Provides that a solicitation for a contract between a governmental body and a contractor to perform any of the functions of the governmental body currently performed by the governmental body's employees must: (1) require offerors to provide objective, verifiable evidence satisfactory to the governmental body that if the offeror is awarded a contract, the cost of the contract over the term of the contract will be less than the cost to the governmental body of performing the functions covered by the contract with the governmental body's employees over the term of the contract; and (2) that the contract must include a provision that the governmental body may not pay to the contractor during the term of the contract more than the contractor determined the governmental body would have spent to perform the functions under the contract with the governmental body's employees over the term of the contract. Provides that an offeror for such a contract may not be considered responsive if the offeror does not provide the required evidence. Requires such contracts to contain the provisions required by the solicitation.

HB 1445: (LS 7620) Dickinson (DI:76)

#### Child custody for care givers.

Expands the factors that a court must consider in determining child custody whenever the court finds, by clear and convincing evidence, that the child has been cared for by a de facto custodian. Defines a de facto custodian as a person who has been the primary care giver for, and financial support of, the child for a certain period. Provides that whenever a court finds sufficient evidence that a person has been a de facto custodian of a child, the court shall: (1) make the de facto custodian a party to the proceeding; and (2) award custody of the child to the de facto custodian if the court determines that it is in the best interests of the child. Makes conforming changes.

#### HB 1446: (LS 7008) Dickinson (DI:71) Criminal history checks for school volunteers.

Allows a school corporation to request a limited criminal history for an adult who volunteers for a position in which the adult will have contact with, care of, or supervision over a student. Provides that a school corporation may not be charged a fee for the limited criminal history. Makes a corresponding change to a related section.

## HB 1447: (LS 7558) Tincher (DI:94) 911 fees in large cities.

Provides that an ordinance may not impose an emergency telephone system fee that exceeds 10% of the average monthly telephone access line charge in the unit for all municipalities. (Current law provides that the fee for a consolidated city and a municipality located in a county that contains a second class city may not exceed 3% of the average monthly telephone access

line charge in the unit and may not exceed 10% for all other municipalities.)

# HB 1448: (LS 6901) Tincher (DI:87) Emergency management foundation.

Establishes the Indiana emergency management, fire and building services, and public safety training foundation. Establishes the following funds to be administered by the foundation: (1) The emergency management fund to fund projects of the emergency management agency. (2) The fire and building fund to fund projects of the fire and building services department. (3) The emergency medical services fund to pay for emergency medical services projects of the public safety institute. (4) The stewardship fund to pay for promotion of the sale of safety first license plates. Provides that the foundation may acquire: (1) personal property to be donated to a unit of local government, the state emergency management agency, the fire and building services department, or the public safety institute; and (2) real property to be sold on the open market, to the state, or to a unit of local government, the proceeds of which are to be donated to the emergency management fund, the fire and building fund, the emergency medical services fund, or the stewardship fund. Establishes the safety first license plate to be designed as a special group recognition license plate. Requires annual fees from the license plate to be deposited as follows: (1) 30% of the fees in the emergency management fund. (2) 30% of the fees in the fire and building fund. (3) 30% of the fees in the emergency medical services fund. (4) 10% of the fees in the stewardship fund. Requires the foundation to prepare an annual report

before October 1 of each year concerning the foundation's activities for the prior year for the public and the general assembly. Provides that the foundation is exempt from taxes on real and personal property that the foundation acquires or disposes of or as a consequence of the foundation's transactions.

#### HB 1449: (LS 6838) Tincher (DI:75) Official folk dance of Indiana.

Designates square dancing and its related forms as the official folk dance of the state of Indiana.

# HB 1450: (LS 7468) Tincher (DI:73) Town marshals in the 1977 pension fund.

Provides that town marshals and deputy town marshals are members of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund. Provides that for purposes of a town marshal or deputy participating in the 1977 fund, the local pension board consists of the town legislative body and a town marshal or deputy. Requires towns to amortize over ten years 50% of the amount necessary to fund the prior service liability of the town marshals and deputies. Increases pretrial diversion fees and deferred prosecution program fees by ten dollars and transfers the additional revenue to the 1977 fund to assist in funding the prior service liability of town marshals and deputies who become members of the 1977 fund.

### HB 1451: (LS 7646) Tincher (DI:87) Waivers of mechanics liens.

Provides that a provision in a contract between the owner and the principal contractor that no lien shall attach to the real estate, building, structure, or any other improvement of the owner is void and unenforceable.

# HB 1452: (LS 7709) Crosby (DI:98) Health facility patient and employee immunization.

Requires a health facility to immunize all patients and employees against the influenza virus and pneumococcal disease. Establishes a procedure for obtaining consent. Provides certain exceptions.

## HB 1453: (LS 7666) Kruse (DI:2) Require identification of alcohol purchasers.

Provides that it is a Class C misdemeanor to recklessly furnish alcoholic beverages to a person who is not a minor but who is less than 30 years of age unless the person produces certain identification, signs a statement of age eligibility, or appears to an ordinary prudent person to be at least 30 years of age.

#### HB 1454: (LS 7290) Oxley (DI:58) Distribution of tobacco settlement funds.

Appropriates a total of 30% of the tobacco lawsuit settlement for the next 25 years. Twenty percent is appropriated to the department of agriculture to make grants to those that own rights to tobacco production on January 1, 1999. Ten percent is appropriated to Purdue University for development of new crops to replace tobacco.

## HB 1455: (LS 6470) Cochran (DI:96) Adds clothing allowances to pension base.

Adds clothing allowances (to the extent that

the allowances exceed \$300 per year) and holiday pay to the pension base for police officers and firefighters.

#### HB 1456: (LS 6892) Moses (DI:69) Jury instructions concerning fault and damages.

Provides that in an action based on comparative fault, the jury shall be informed of any immunity defense that is available to a nonparty. Provides that a jury in a case involving punitive damages must be advised of the: (1) limitation on the amount of punitive damages that may be awarded; (2) ability of the court to reduce the amount of a punitive damage award; and (3) requirements concerning allocation of money received in payment in a punitive damage award.

# HB 1457: (LS 7746) Avery (DI:76) Termination of parent-child relationship.

Provides that a petition to terminate the parent-child relationship must indicate whether certain factors apply that would require a party to file a motion to dismiss the termination petition. Removes the provision in the law that requires a party in a termination proceeding to file a motion to dismiss the petition to terminate the parent-child relationship if the child is being cared for by a custodian who is a parent, stepparent, grandparent, or by certain other responsible adults or relatives who are caring for the child as a guardian. Makes clear and convincing evidence the standard of proof in relation to a motion to dismiss a petition to terminate the parent-child relationship. Requires a person or entity who files a motion to dismiss a petition to terminate the parent-child relationship to

send notice to certain persons.

#### HB 1458: (LS 7526) Avery (DI:44) Tax abatement on fire service levies.

Prohibits tax abatement of property taxes imposed for fire services, including pension, debt, and lease rental payments.

## HB 1459: (LS 6544) Day (DI:69) Handguns and children.

Prohibits the issuance of a license to carry a handgun to a person less than 21 years of age. (Current law prohibits the issuance of a license to carry a handgun to a person less than 18 years of age.) Makes it a Class A infraction for an adult to knowingly, intentionally, recklessly, or negligently store or leave a loaded handgun, or an unloaded handgun that is accompanied by ammunition, in a location where the adult knows or should reasonably know that an unsupervised child is likely to gain access to and handle the handgun if: (1) a child gains access to the handgun; and (2) the child violates the law concerning carrying a handgun without a license or uses the handgun to cause bodily injury to the child or to another person. Makes a repeat offense a Class A misdemeanor.

# HB 1460: (LS 7054) Lutz J (DI:92) City of Elwood appropriation.

Appropriates \$100,000 from the build Indiana fund to the city of Elwood, Madison County, for the State Road 13 sewer relocation project.

HB 1461: (LS 6469) Lutz J (DI:92) Military service income tax deduction.

Provides an income tax deduction to individuals for the first \$3,000 received for military service. (Current law allows individuals to deduct the first \$2,000 of income received for military service.)

#### HB 1462: (LS 7051) Lutz J (DI:92) Town of Edgewood appropriation.

Appropriates \$100,000 from the build Indiana fund to the town of Edgewood, Madison County, for lighting improvements.

#### HB 1463: (LS 7053) Lutz J (DI:92) Madison County 4-H Association appropriations.

Appropriates \$76,000 from the build Indiana fund to the Madison County 4-H Association for a show arena. Appropriates \$85,000 from the build Indiana fund to the Madison County 4-H Association for a cattle barn.

#### HB 1464: (LS 7076) Thompson (DI:69) Intoxication offenses.

Makes it a Class C misdemeanor instead of a Class B misdemeanor for a person to be in a public place or a place of public resort in a state of intoxication. Makes the offense a Class B misdemeanor if the person has a prior unrelated conviction for being in a public place or a place of public resort in a state of intoxication. Makes it a Class B misdemeanor instead of a Class C misdemeanor for a person to operate a vehicle with at least 0.10% of alcohol by weight in grams in: (1) 100 milliliters of the person's blood; or (2) 210 liters of the person's breath. Makes it a Class B misdemeanor instead of a Class C misdemeanor for a person to operate a vehicle with a schedule Lor II controlled

substance or its metabolite in the person's body.

#### HB 1465: (LS 6844) Crawford (DI:92) Sales tax moratorium.

Provides a sales tax exemption for clothing priced less than \$50 and purchased after August 15 and before the first Tuesday after Labor Day. Provides that the sales tax for clothing priced at least \$50 and less than \$500 is computed after subtracting \$50 from the purchase price. Limits a customer to \$500 of exempt purchases per visit to a particular retail merchant's location.

# HB 1466: (LS 7592) Cheney (DI:2) School programs for high ability students.

Requires a school corporation to have a local plan and local program for high ability students in grades 3 through 12 and provides a time schedule for implementation of these programs.

# HB 1467: (LS 6857) Young M (DI:71) Use of Social Security numbers.

Removes the authority of the bureau of motor vehicles to require an individual to provide the individual's Social Security number to obtain a vehicle title or to register a vehicle.

## HB 1468: (LS 7083) Young M (DI:44) Legislator pensions.

Provides that after June 30, 1999, service earned by members of the general assembly is covered by the public employees' retirement fund and the Indiana state teachers' retirement fund.

### HB 1469: (LS 7393) Leuck (DI:92) Registration of intrastate motor carriers.

Specifies that the requirement that intrastate motor carriers that are not operating under authority issued by the United States
Department of Transportation must register with the department of state revenue as an intrastate motor carrier does not apply to an intrastate motor carrier operated by the owner of the vehicle or a guest operator in connection with agricultural pursuits usual and normal to the owner's farming operation.

#### HB 1470: (LS 7683) Crooks (DI:96) Indiana Moose Association license plates.

Requires the bureau of motor vehicles to issue an Indiana Moose Association trust license plate. Requires the additional fee required for the Indiana Moose Association trust license plate to be deposited in the Indiana Moose Association trust fund and distributed to the Indiana Mooseheart Association.

#### HB 1471: (LS 7760) Crawford (DI:2) Public charter schools.

Allows the governing body of a school corporation to convert a noncharter school of the school corporation into a charter school by issuing a charter to an organizer (who must be a group of parents and teachers in a school corporation) to operate a charter school. Provides an appeal to the Indiana state board of education when a charter school proposal is not accepted or when a charter is revoked. Sets forth the organization, powers, method of establishment, charter contents, policies, oversight, and restrictions for charter schools. Provides that collective bargaining

applies to a charter school. Provides that all charter school teachers are employees of the school corporation. Provides that if a school corporation eliminates a teaching position in a noncharter school because of a charter school, the elimination is subject to due process. Provides that a charter school may not receive public funds on a per student basis for an amount that is less than the school corporation's average annual per pupil expenditures for noncharter schools during the two years preceding the year of payment. Provides that a debt that a school corporation has incurred for the building where the charter school is located continues as the debt of the school corporation and does not become a debt of the charter school.

#### HB 1472: (LS 7416) Crawford (DI:76) HIV testing of inmates.

Requires a court that sentences a person to a penal or correctional facility for a period of at least one year to require the person to undergo: (1) a screening test for the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV); and (2) the test annually thereafter during the period that the person remains incarcerated. Requires that whenever a test confirms the presence of HIV antibodies, the court shall notify the convicted person and order that the results be reported to the state department of health. Requires the department of correction to pay for the testing. Requires the state department of health to submit an annual report to the governor, the legislative council, and the department of correction regarding: (1) the prevalence of acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) and HIV in persons incarcerated in penal and correctional facilities in Indiana; and (2) current

treatments for AIDS and HIV offered by the department of correction and suggestions for improvements.

#### HB 1473: (LS 7007) Bailey (DI:69) National guard tuition supplement program.

Establishes the national guard tuition supplement program to: (1) induce qualified individuals to join and remain in the Indiana national guard while earning a college education; (2) increase the number of students entering state educational institutions; (3) encourage eligible students to attend state educational institutions by reducing the financial burden on the eligible students and their families; (4) increase individual economic vitality; and (5) improve the overall quality of life for many Indiana residents. Establishes the national guard tuition supplement program fund to: (1) provide the financial resources necessary to award the tuition scholarships authorized under the program; and (2) be administered by the state student assistance commission. Appropriates \$1,234,420 from the state general fund to the national guard tuition supplement program fund.

# HB 1474: (LS 7148) GiaQuinta (DI:92) Appropriation to Maumee River basin commission.

Appropriates \$3,525,000 from the state general fund to the Maumee River basin commission.

#### HB 1475: (LS 7413) Whetstone (DI:87) Annexation.

Adds the town of Avon in Hendricks County to the municipalities that may annex territory that: (1) is contiguous to the municipality;

(2) has its entire area within the township within which the municipality is primarily located; and (3) is owned by a property owner who consents to the annexation. Requires a municipality to provide written notice of a hearing concerning a proposed annexation to each owner of real property located within or adjoining the territory proposed to be annexed. Provides that the notice requirement applies to a municipality that adopts an annexation ordinance after June 30, 1999.

# HB 1476: (LS 7197) Bischoff (DI:75) Barn appropriation.

Appropriates \$10,000,000 to the board of trustees of the center for agricultural science and heritage. Provides that money in the fund may be expended for purposes of paying certain capital costs of the center.

## HB 1477: (LS 7559) Adams T (DI:100) Employee assistance professionals.

Provides for certification of employee assistance professionals. Defines an "employee assistance professional" as an individual who provides workplace based services designed to address employer and employee productivity issues and who assists employees and their dependents with identifying and finding the means to resolve personal problems that affect the employee or the performance of the employee. Provides that all matters communicated by a client to an employee assistance professional in the employee assistance professional's official capacity are privileged information.

#### HB 1478: (LS 6924) Adams T (DI:87) Regulated place of amusement or entertainment.

Amends the definition of "regulated place of amusement or entertainment" under the fire safety, building, and equipment law.

# HB 1479: (LS 7116) Adams T (DI:101) Regulated lifting devices.

Requires a person who installs a regulated lifting device to obtain an initial operating permit. Requires a person who has control over the place where a regulated lifting device is operated to obtain an operating permit after the initial permit expires. Requires the office of the state building commissioner to mark a regulated lifting device "out of service" when an inspection reveals that the unit does not comply with laws governing its construction, repair, maintenance, and operation. Requires the office to reinspect an "out of service" unit within a reasonable time after receiving a request for reinspection and the payment of the reinspection fee. Makes it a Class C infraction if a person installs a regulated lifting device and does not obtain an initial operating permit or a temporary operating permit, and the device is used by building construction personnel. Makes it a Class C infraction if a person installs a regulated lifting device and does not obtain an initial operating permit, and the device is used by a member of the public.

## HB 1480: (LS 6379) Kruse (DI:92) Inheritance tax phase out.

Phases out the inheritance tax over a five year period beginning July 1, 1999, by giving an increasing credit against the inheritance tax due. Provides that for a decedent whose death occurs after June 30, 2003, there is no inheritance tax imposed.

Repeals the inheritance tax on July 1, 2005.

## HB 1481: (LS 7202) Day (DI:58) Summer school funding.

Appropriates \$28,000,000 for the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and \$30,000,000 for the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, for summer school programming.

## HB 1482: (LS 7333) Harris (DI:58) Appropriation for Gary well conversion.

Appropriates \$6,500,000 for the biennium to the city of Gary for the cost of extending water service to all residential areas of the city.

# HB 1483: (LS 7020) Harris (DI:73) Taxation of railroad car companies.

Provides that the property taxes derived from indefinite-situs distributable property of railroad car companies shall be deposited in the state general fund, instead of the commuter rail service fund. Provides that 0.17% of state sales tax revenue shall be distributed to the commuter rail service fund. Grants railroad car companies a credit against indefinite-situs property tax liability for railroad car maintenance and improvement expenditures made in Indiana. Provides that the credit is equal to 50% of the qualified expenditures made by the taxpayer in the taxable year. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the local government finance study commission.)

#### HB 1484: (LS 6324) Harris (DI:92) Prohibit internet gambling.

Makes Internet gambling a Class B

misdemeanor. Makes providing gambling through the Internet a Class D felony. Requires an interactive computer service to discontinue its service if it is notified by a law enforcement agency that the service is being used to promote professional gambling. Requires an interactive computer service to block access to a site used to promote professional gambling.

#### HB 1485: (LS 7702) Harris (DI:92) Income tax credit for inventory taxes.

Provides a credit against state tax liability for property taxes paid on inventory.

# HB 1486: (LS 7569) Harris (DI:73) Environmental remediation grant.

Provides that the Indiana development finance authority may provide a grant of not more than \$3,000,000 from the environmental remediation revolving loan fund to the city of Gary. Provides that the grant may be used for purposes authorized under the environmental remediation revolving loan program.

# HB 1487: (LS 7637) Lawson L (DI:96) Wage discrimination.

Provides that an employer may not discriminate against an employee on the basis of sex, race, or national origin by paying wages at a rate less than to other employees of another sex, race, or national origin. Requires the department of labor to adopt rules to implement the chapter, including specifying the criteria for determining whether a job is dominated by employees of one sex, a particular race, or a particular national origin. Requires an employer to keep records of wages paid to

employees and to document wages paid to employees and support the method, system, calculations, and bases used to establish, adjust, and determine the wage rates paid to its employees. Requires an employer to provide to the employee upon commencement of employment and at least annually thereafter, a statement of the job title, wage rate, and how the wage is calculated. Allows an individual claiming discrimination to file a complaint with the civil rights commission. Allows an individual to file a civil action for violation of the requirement to be furnished an annual statement of wages. Allows the department of labor to file a civil action against an employer for a violation of the record keeping requirements.

# HB 1488: (LS 6349) Pond (DI:2) DNR Nursery stock inspection.

Provides that the division of entomology and plant pathology of the department of natural resources is required to make an annual inspection of plant nurseries that import stock into and export stock from Indiana. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the natural resources study committee.)

## HB 1489: (LS 6629) Pond (DI:78) Hunting while intoxicated.

Prohibits hunting while intoxicated. Provides that a person who hunts in Indiana impliedly consents to submit to a chemical test to determine if alcohol is present in the person's blood, breath, urine, or other bodily substance. Provides that a person who hunts with a blood or breath alcohol count of at least 0.10% or while intoxicated commits a

Class C misdemeanor. Increases the offense to: (1) a Class D felony if the person has a previous conviction for hunting while intoxicated; or (2) a Class C felony if the offense results in the death of another person. Permits a court to order a person convicted of hunting while intoxicated not to hunt for one or two years. Provides that a person who hunts after being ordered not to hunt commits a Class A misdemeanor. Permits a court to revoke a person's hunting license for two years if the person has committed a felony offense of hunting while intoxicated.

# HB 1490: (LS 6555) Pond (DI:100) Fireworks regulation.

Allows a county to prohibit the sale, wholesale or otherwise, of any firework that is not permitted for sale at retail. Allows the county to impose a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per day for a violation of the prohibition on the sale of fireworks. Specifies that an ordinance prohibiting the sale of fireworks adopted by a county applies to all areas of a county, whether incorporated or unincorporated.

## HB 1491: (LS 7425) Pelath (DI:87) Annexation procedures.

Allows an annexation to be appealed by filing a written remonstrance signed by at least 50% of the owners in the territory or the owners of at least 50% in assessed valuation of the land in the annexed territory. (Current law provides that a written remonstrance must be filed by a majority of owners of land in the annexed territory or the owners of more than 75% in assessed valuation of the land in the annexed

territory.) Allows a remonstrance to be filed not more than 90 days after publication of the annexation ordinance. (Current law provides that a remonstrance may be filed not more than 60 days after the annexation ordinance is published.) Provides that if a court finds that a remonstrance is sufficient, the court shall order an annexation not to take place. Allows an owner of real property in the annexed territory or the municipality that is annexing the territory to file an action not more than 120 days after publication of the annexation ordinance requesting a court to enter a judgment voiding the annexation ordinance on the grounds that the ordinance does not comply with legal requirements. Allows a municipality to abate a portion of the property tax liability for municipal purposes for all single family residential property for five years. (Current law allows only St. Joseph County to provide this abatement.) Prohibits a municipality from making further attempts to annex territory for three years after the later of the circuit or superior court judgment or the date of the final disposition of all appeals, unless the landowners in the annexed territory petition for annexation. (Current law provides that a municipality may not make further attempts to annex territory for two years after the judgment or final disposition of all appeals unless the landowners in the territory petition for annexation.) Requires a municipality to provide noncapital services in a manner equivalent in standard and scope to those noncapital services provided to areas within the corporate boundaries, regardless of similar topography, patterns of land use, or population density. (Current law requires, in counties other than St. Joseph County, that services be provided to the unincorporated area substantially equivalent

in standard and scope to the services provided by the municipality to other areas of the municipality that have topography, patterns of land use, and population density similar to the annexed territory.) Requires a municipality to provide capital services within four years in a manner equivalent in standard and scope to those capital services provided to areas within the corporate boundaries regardless of similar topography, patterns of land use, or population density. Repeals a provision that allows landowners to petition the municipality to annex territory and requires the municipality to adopt an annexation ordinance if certain requirements are met. Provides that if a court, pursuant to a complaint filed by a landowner, finds that the municipality failed to provide the capital and noncapital services under the fiscal plan, the court is required to order all or part of the territory to be disannexed. Provides that the act applies to an annexation ordinance adopted after January 1, 1999. Voids an annexation that fulfills all of the following requirements: (1) The annexation ordinance was adopted before January 1, 1999. (2) The annexation is effective after January 1, 1999. (3) The annexation ordinance delays the effective date of the annexation for at least one year. (4) A sufficient remonstrance petition was filed against the annexation. Removes the provision that allows a municipality to annex territory if one-fourth of the territory's boundary is contiguous to the municipality and the territory is needed and can be used by the municipality for its development in the reasonably near future. Makes a technical correction.

HB 1492: (LS 6908) Mock (DI:58) Language assistance program grants.

Provides a \$750 per pupil grant to school corporations for a language assistance program.

#### HB 1493: (LS 6825) Mock (DI:94) Regulation of train whistles in Elkhart County.

Allows a city or town in Elkhart county to adopt an ordinance regulating the use of train whistles within the city or town limits.

## HB 1494: (LS 6916) Dvorak (DI:73) Sales tax exemptions.

Provides an exemption from the state sales and use tax for tangible personal property sold by a funeral home or cemetery and used in connection with a funeral or burial.

## HB 1495: (LS 7331) Dvorak (DI:94) Unused property market regulation.

Creates unused property market regulation.
Defines "unused property market" as
including "swap meets", "indoor swap
meets", "flea markets", and other similar
events. Prohibits the sale of baby food,
infant formula, cosmetics, or personal care
products, or any nonprescription drug or
medical device at an unused property market
except by a representative of a manufacturer
with written authorization. Requires unused
property merchants to maintain receipts.
Provides penalties for violations.

## HB 1496: (LS 7609) Dvorak (DI:100) Wage garnishment.

Amends the wage garnishment law to give a garnishment order priority over a child support withholding order to the extent that the support withholding is not diminished by the garnishment. (Current law gives priority

to a child support order.)

#### HB 1497: (LS 6021) Smith V (DI:101) Disqualification of felons.

Permits a person to hold public office five years after the completion or fulfillment of any sentence, judgment, or order resulting from a felony plea or conviction. Allows the court as part of a person's conviction for certain felonies and misdemeanors related to public administration to: (1) prohibit a person from holding public office for not more than ten years; and (2) remove the person from office. (Current law applies the prohibition and removal to persons convicted of only misdemeanors related to public administration.)

## HB 1498: (LS 6105) Smith V (DI:92) Tax credits for hiring minority youth.

Entitles a taxpayer who employs a minority youth to a tax credit equal to 25% of the wages paid to the minority youth or \$500, whichever is less. Provides that the maximum amount of total credits allowed to all taxpayers in a state fiscal year is \$1,000,000.

# **HB 1499:** (LS 6179) Smith V (DI:100) School group health plans.

Allows active and retired school corporation employees and active and retired employees of other local governmental units to participate in any health care plan offered by the state to state employees. Allows a school corporation and a local governmental entity to elect the coverage. Requires the state to deduct the appropriate amount of money from the school corporation's monthly tuition support distribution and from the

local governmental unit's semiannual cigarette tax distribution to cover the cost of the coverage. Prohibits state universities from purchasing or renewing group health insurance after June 30, 1999. Provides that employees of state universities are eligible for coverage under health insurance plans established for state employees. Provides that this coverage begins when the state university's current health insurance program expires. Provides that employees of state universities who retire after June 30, 1999, are entitled to the same type of health insurance coverage as retired state employees.

# HB 1500: (LS 7231) Smith V (DI:71) Cultural diversity courses for teachers.

Defines the term "course on cultural diversity". Requires the professional standards board to: (1) identify courses at the various teacher training institutions in Indiana that qualify as courses on cultural diversity; and (2) determine on an individual basis whether particular courses taken outside Indiana qualify as courses on cultural diversity. Prohibits the governing body of a school corporation from hiring an individual who receives an initial standard or reciprocal teaching license after March 31, 2001, unless the individual provides written evidence that the individual successfully completed at least one college course on cultural diversity.

## **HB 1501:** (**LS 7031**) Smith V (**DI:69**) Handgun safety.

Requires a law enforcement agency that accepts an application for a handgun license to provide, before the application is

forwarded to the superintendent, the applicant with information concerning handgun safety provided to the law enforcement agency by the superintendent of the state police department.

#### HB 1502: (LS 6947) Adams T (DI:96) Regulated boilers and pressure vessels.

Specifies exceptions to the definition of "regulated boiler or pressure vessel". Permits the boiler and pressure vessel rules board to adopt rules and set fees related to regulated boilers and pressure vessels. Specifies exceptions to the use of and licensing of regulated boilers and pressure vessels. Requires a boiler and pressure vessel inspector licensed by the office of the state building commissioner to inspect, issue permits for, and issue orders of violation regarding equipment law for boilers and pressure vessels. Repeals provisions regarding fee schedules for inspections of regulated boilers and pressure vessels. Revises internal references.

#### HB 1503: (LS 6856) Denbo (DI:58) Sales tax on fireworks.

Requires the deposit of the sales tax on fireworks into a special volunteer fire company account within the state general fund. Requires the auditor of state to use the revenue to make equal grant distributions to totally volunteer fire companies throughout Indiana that apply for a grant with the office of the state fire marshal.

# HB 1504: (LS 6871) Denbo (DI:97) Prohibition on premium rebates.

Prohibits an affiliate of an insurance company from offering, promising,

allowing, giving, setting off, or paying any rebate of the premium or other cost related to a policy of insurance, unless it is specified in the policy.

# HB 1505: (LS 7016) Denbo (DI:75) Display of the Ten Commandments on public property.

Authorizes the display of the Ten Commandments on real property owned by the state or a political subdivision.

# HB 1506: (LS 7795) Mahern (DI:44) Airport fees and motor vehicle rentals.

Requires a motor vehicle rental company to separately disclose, charge, and remit to an airport any fee that is charged to the customer and is required to be fully remitted to an airport's management entity.

# HB 1507: (LS 7706) Mahern (DI:87) Marion County parks.

Gives to the excluded cities in Marion County (Beech Grove, Lawrence, Southport, and Speedway) having their own city park departments an allocation of funds from the countywide park special taxing district levy. Makes the allocated amount equal to 50% of the total property taxes distributed in the property tax settlements for the park district inside the excluded city. Requires the money to be used for park and recreation purposes. Stipulates that the excluded city's property tax levy limits are not affected by the park allocation.

# HB 1508: (LS 7719) Hasler (DI:98) Foreign adoption agency regulation.

Requires a person who offers advice,

information, or assistance regarding the adoption of a child who is not a citizen of the United States to be licensed by the division of family and children as a child placing agency and to maintain a director's and officer's insurance policy of at least \$1,000,000. Makes it a Class D felony for the person to provide the adoption services without a license or to otherwise violate the provisions governing child placing agencies.

#### HB 1509: (LS 6883) Hasler (DI:75) Various administrative matters.

Provides that a certificate of qualification for a contractor or a person performing professional services on a state public works project expires 27 months after the date of issuance. (Under current law, a certificate expires 15 months after issuance.) Requires a person that holds a certificate of qualification to notify the certification board of any material changes in information supplied in the application submitted to the board. Provides that energy cost savings contracts entered into by the state are administered by the Indiana department of administration rather than state agencies that occupy the facilities that benefit from the contracts. Provides that the rules adopted by the Indiana department of administration relating to enforcement of the department's traffic rules must include an administrative appeals process. Provides that the administrative adjudication act does not apply to the administrative appeals process for enforcement of the department's traffic rules. Provides that a person aggrieved by the imposition of a civil penalty for violation of the department's traffic rules may appeal to a court of jurisdiction. Provides that the attorney general may file an appropriate

action to enforce imposition of a civil penalty for a traffic violation. Repeals superseded energy efficiency contract statutes.

# HB 1510: (LS 6550) Hasler (DI:2) Heritage birth certificate program.

Provides for the issuance of commemorative heritage birth certificates. Establishes a fee for issuance with part of the fee to offset costs and the remainder of the fee for deposit in a historic preservation fund. Establishes the historic preservation fund for use of the division of historic preservation and archeology of the department of natural resources.

#### HB 1511: (LS 6531) Becker (DI:92) Credit for inventory tax.

Provides a state income tax credit against gross income taxes and adjusted gross income taxes for a certain percentage of property taxes paid by the taxpayer on business inventory.

# HB 1512: (LS 7785) Hasler (DI:100) Physical therapists.

Defines "practice of physical therapy". Prohibits a physical therapist from practicing beyond the scope of the practice of physical therapy or providing treatment beyond what is reasonable. Requires that a physical therapist adhere to the profession's standard of ethics. Prohibits a physical therapist from providing unnecessary treatment or services simply for the practitioner's or a third person's financial gain.

## HB 1513: (LS 7063) Yount (DI:87) Change of city status.

Requires a city to conduct a municipal election after the city's classification changes due to a population change. Specifies that the change in the law applicable to the city's new class begins January 1 following the first municipal election. Requires a special census to determine a change in population resulting in a change of status, to be concluded not later than November 8 of the year immediately preceding the municipal election in which the members of the legislative body will be elected.

# HB 1514: (LS 6996) Yount (DI:69) Methamphetamine.

Provides that a person who: (1) knowingly or intentionally manufactures or delivers methamphetamine; or (2) possesses with intent to manufacture or deliver methamphetamine commits dealing in methamphetamine, a Class B felony. Makes the offense a Class A felony if: (1) the amount of the drug involved weighs three grams or more; (2) the person delivered the drug to a person under 18 years of age at least three years junior to the person; or (3) the person delivered the drug on a school bus or in, on, or within 1,000 feet of school property, a public park, or a family housing complex. Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally: (1) purchases, rents, or otherwise procures chemicals, supplies, equipment, or a laboratory location; or (2) sets up equipment or supplies with the intent to illegally manufacture methamphetamine commits illegal operation of a methamphetamine laboratory, a Class C felony. Adds the offense of dealing in methamphetamine to conform with other statutes that concern dealing in cocaine, narcotic drugs, and other controlled substances including: (1) specifying that a juvenile court does not have jurisdiction over a person for allegedly dealing in methamphetamine; (2) providing that if a person commits dealing in methamphetamine certain occupational and professional licenses and certifications held by the person and certain motor vehicle licenses and registrations held by the person may be revoked or suspended; and (3) providing that certain property used by the person to commit the offense may be seized.

# HB 1515: (LS 6559) Leuck (DI:2) Stormwater runoff from developed real property.

Requires counties and municipalities to establish a policy by January 1, 2001, for the management of stormwater runoff from developed real property. Provides that the policy may, but is not required to, provide for the actual management of stormwater runoff. Establishes the geographic scope that a policy must cover.

## HB 1516: (LS 6122) Ayres (DI:2) Textbook funding.

Requires the department of education to reimburse school corporations for the cost of textbooks adopted for initial use in the 1999-2000 school year. Beginning with the 2000-2001 school year, requires the department of education to pay the supplier directly for the costs of recently adopted textbooks for school corporations. Appropriates from the state general fund a sufficient amount to pay for state textbook funding. Provides that the current law providing reimbursement for textbooks for students who are eligible for assistance applies only to textbooks for which a rental

fee is paid. Prohibits school corporations that have been reimbursed for certain textbooks by the department of education from renting those same textbooks to students. Provides for administration of the program by the department of education.

#### HB 1517: (LS 7759) Bodiker (DI:94) Dishonored check fees.

Removes transactions involving check cashing services and payday lenders from a requirement that the holder of a dishonored check be awarded triple damages for a dishonored check with a face amount of \$250 or less and \$250 for a dishonored check with a face amount over \$500.

#### HB 1518: (LS 7588) Kersey (DI:51) State funding of circuit clerk clerk salaries.

Establishes the salary for the office of the clerk of the circuit court. Provides for the state to pay the salary of a clerk of the circuit court and allows a county to pay up to \$5,000 in additional salary to the clerk of the circuit court. Imposes a supplemental administrative costs fee on most civil, criminal, probate, and juvenile cases filed in a circuit, superior, probate, or county court.

#### HB 1519: (LS 7070) Stevenson (DI:71) Tuition exemption.

Provides that for purposes of the tuition exemption at state educational institutions provided to the surviving spouse or children of a public safety officer killed in the line of duty, the term "other required fees" includes room and board expenses. Appropriates to each state educational institution annually from the state general fund an amount sufficient to provide the tuition exemption.

# HB 1520: (LS 7774) Lytle (DI:92) Appropriations for tourism promotion fund.

Appropriates \$7,000,000 in fiscal year 2000 and \$9,000,000 in fiscal year 2001 to the tourism information and promotion fund.

#### HB 1521: (LS 7140) Lytle (DI:78) Designation of water fees.

Permits the director of the department of natural resources to use the fees deposited in the land and water resource fund to pay for administering the regulatory programs that generate the fees.

# HB 1522: (LS 7632) Lytle (DI:100) Cemetery preservation.

Prohibits a person from recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally damaging personal property contained in a structure or located at a cemetery or a facility used for memorializing the dead.

# HB 1523: (LS 7566) Avery (DI:92) Taxation of lottery winnings.

Imposes state income taxes on lottery prizes exceeding \$1,000. Requires the auditor of state to withhold taxes due on the winnings of consumers on lottery prizes of more than \$1,000.

# HB 1524: (LS 7027) Brown C (DI:98) Health facility receivership.

Provides that a health facility may be placed in receivership whenever the court, in its discretion, believes such action necessary to secure justice. Specifies the qualifications, powers, and duties of a health facility receiver. Provides that a health facility may not continue in operation more than 240 days after the appointment of a receiver without approval of the state department of health. Provides that a receiver placed in a health facility be paid by the facility if the receiver is not a state employee, and by the state if the receiver is a state employee. Establishes a formula for determining the compensation of a receiver placed in a health facility. Gives the director of the state department of health the authority to revoke a health facility's license for failure to relinquish authority to the receiver or failure to pay the receiver's salary. Provides immunity from civil liability for a receiver or a receiver's agent, except for a breach of duty or failure to perform that constitutes willful misconduct or recklessness.

#### HB 1525: (LS 7802) Brown C (DI:77) Moratorium on methadone clinics.

Provides that the division of mental health may not grant specific approval to any person to become a new methadone provider until July 1, 2001. Requires the division of mental health to prepare an annual report concerning treatment offered by methadone providers.

# HB 1526: (LS 7085) Brown C (DI:77) Chiropractors.

Defines certain terms concerning chiropractic techniques for the purpose of the chiropractic licensing statute. Prohibits a physical therapist from performing certain procedures. Provides that teaching, doing research, providing advisory services, conducting seminars on physical therapy, or providing physical therapy for students in a school setting by a physical therapist or a physical therapist's assistant who is working under the direct supervision of a physical therapist who is employed by the school or who has a contract with the school that has been approved by the school superintendent does not require a referral from certain health professionals. Prohibits a licensed physical therapist from evaluating a physical disability or mental disorder outside the scope of physical therapy.

## HB 1527: (LS 7173) Brown C (DI:97) Substitution of certain prescription drugs.

Requires prescriptions for certain drugs to be refilled with the same manufacturer's drug as originally dispensed unless the physician's office is notified of a proposed substitution.

# HB 1528: (LS 7510) Brown C (DI:97) Hospice licensure and approval.

Establishes requirements for hospice licensure and approval. Provides that a hospice license or approval is valid for one year. Requires the state department of health to charge an annual hospice license or approval fee of \$100. Provides for a provisional license or approval for a hospice program operating before July 1, 1999. Requires an inspection by the state department of health to determine whether a hospice program not operating before July 1, 1999, should receive a license or approval. Provides for an inspection by the state department of health to determine whether a hospice should receive a license or approval. Exempts certain individuals from hospice licensure and approval. Requires the state department of health to provide recommendations to the general assembly

regarding the frequency with which hospices should be inspected. Makes it a Class A misdemeanor for a person to represent to the public that the person offers hospice services or to provide hospice services without a hospice license or approval. Requires the state department of health to investigate a hospice about which the state department of health receives a complaint from a hospice patient or a hospice patient's family. Requires the state department of health to establish and maintain a statewide, toll free number to receive complaints. Allows the state department of health to sanction a hospice that: (1) violates a standard; (2) commits a violation of law; or (3) conducts a practice detrimental to the hospice's patients. Requires the state department of health to notify the attorney general if the state department of health has evidence of an unlicensed or unapproved hospice. Allows the attorney general to seek an injunction and to prosecute a person that operates a hospice without a license or approval. Requires the owner or operator of a licensed or approved hospice program to obtain a limited criminal history of each employee of the hospice program who will provide hospice services. Requires each licensed or approved hospice program to provide a written disclosure to each potential patient that includes the following: (1) A description of available services. (2) A description of the hospice program's internal complaint resolution process. (3) A notice that the patient has the right to refuse any component of the services offered by the hospice program. (4) A statement that a hospice employee may provide extra services to a patient or the patient's family, but may be reimbursed for those services only by providing a written receipt to the

patient or to the patient's family. (5) A toll free number that the patient or a member of the patient's family may use to report problems regarding the hospice program. Repeals optional certification of hospice providers by the state department of health. Makes conforming amendments.

#### HB 1529: (LS 7893) Liggett (DI:92) Bureau of motor vehicles commission funding.

Prohibits money collected for the motor vehicle highway account fund from being used to augment the budget of the bureau of motor vehicles commission. Requires the commission to determine annually the cost of operating license branches. Requires the commission to fund license branch operations with service charges on license branch services.

# HB 1530: (LS 7834) Liggett (DI:75) Billing for telephone service.

Requires a telephone company to separately itemize and show any charge for each service that the telephone company provides to a customer. Provides that a customer is not required to pay a bill that does not itemize charges for services. Authorizes the Indiana utility regulatory commission to adopt rules to implement the statute.

# HB 1531: (LS 6551) Liggett (DI:71) Education personnel issues.

Adds final offer mediation-arbitration as an alternative method of collective bargaining for education personnel. Includes certain state educational institutions in school units required to bargain collectively with employees. Authorizes the Indiana education employment relations board to issue certain

orders and impose certain requirements on a person who commits an unfair practice.

# HB 1532: (LS 7741) Liggett (DI:96) Computation of worker's compensation premiums.

Requires the department of insurance to approve a system of schedule rating based on hours worked for premium rates for worker's compensation insurance.

#### HB 1533: (LS 7786) Liggett (DI:75) Indiana ethics commission.

Redefines the terms "employer" and "employee" as used in the state ethics statute. Provides that the state ethics commission has jurisdiction over certain individuals who are under contract or are employed by a person under a contract with a state agency. Permits the commission to delegate its authority to its director to issue subpoenas under certain circumstances. Authorizes the commission to dismiss a complaint if the commission is satisfied that a governmental entity has dealt with the complaint appropriately. Provides that commission evidence relating to an investigation is confidential until certain events occur. (Current law provides that commission records relating to a preliminary investigation are confidential until the stated events occur.) Provides that a commission report may recommend that an appointing authority or a state officer issue a letter of counseling to a respondent to a complaint filed with the commission. Makes changes to the information required to be stated on financial disclosure statements filed with the commission. Provides that a state officer or employee may not retaliate against a former employee because the former employee filed a complaint with the commission, provided information to the commission, or testified before the commission. Prohibits a person from taking certain actions that would interfere with a commission proceeding or investigation. Makes other changes in terminology in the state ethics statute.

# HB 1534: (LS 7801) Liggett (DI:96) Automated external defibrillation grants.

Changes the terminology from "automatic" and "semiautomatic" defibrillator to "automated external defibrillator". Establishes the automated external defibrillation fund, to be administered by the state emergency management agency, to provide grants to counties, municipalities, and townships for the purchase of automated external defibrillators and to support public awareness, education, and evaluation of the use of automated external defibrillators. Establishes the automated external defibrillation grant fund advisory committee to advise the state emergency medical services commission and the state emergency management agency regarding use of the automated external defibrillation grant fund. Requires the automated external defibrillation grant fund committee to set up guidelines for the administration of the fund. Appropriates \$45,000,000 to the state emergency management agency for deposit in the fund.

## HB 1535: (LS 7738) Liggett (DI:96) License branch service charges.

Requires the bureau of motor vehicles commission to annually determine the cost of operating license branches in each county and the amount of service charges that must be assessed in each county to cover the cost of the license branch operations in the county. Requires the bureau of motor vehicles commission to adopt rules to set the county service charges to cover the cost of the license branch operations in the county. Requires the service charges collected from each county to be deposited in the license branch fund and used for the county license branch operations.

# HB 1536: (LS 6986) Liggett (DI:94) Working wage on economic development projects.

Creates the working wage. Adds working wage to the requirements for enterprise zone credits, the economic revitalization area deduction, neighborhood assistance credit, edge credit, and job training funds for projects that primarily benefit an identifiable employer. Makes a statement of benefits regarding working wages mandatory in an enterprise zone credit application. Sets the working wage at 130% of the federal poverty level for an average size family in Indiana. Limits the uses of funding for comprehensive job training and related services to projects that hire employees at the working wage.

#### HB 1537: (LS 7175) Liggett (DI:96) Worker's compensation.

Requires self-insured employers, insurance carriers, and third party administrators to report an injury to an employee to the worker's compensation board of Indiana by electronic data interchange by December 31, 1999, or with an approved implementation plan providing for the ability to report by electronic data interchange not later than June 30, 2000. Provides that an appeal of

compensation due, continuance of payments, or the period for which compensation should be paid must be made to the worker's compensation board of Indiana within 30 days of the date of the award. Provides that applications to the worker's compensation board of Indiana for increased partial impairment are barred unless filed within one year from the last day for which compensation was paid. Provides that an employer that does not join an employee injured in the course of employment by another person in a suit for damages from another person shall pay its pro rata share of costs, reasonable expenses, and attorney's fee of 25% if collected without a suit. Provides that an employer that does not join an employee injured in the course of employment by another person in a suit for damages from another person shall pay its pro rata share of costs, reasonable expenses, and an attorney's fee of 33 1/3% if collected by a suit.

# HB 1538: (LS 7261) Kruse (DI:96) Amphibious vehicles.

Excludes from imposition of the boat tax a device functional on both land and water only when bolted to a pontoon. Excludes from the definitions of motorboat and watercraft amphibious devices functional on both land and water only when bolted to a pontoon. Defines "vehicle" to exclude a device functional on both land and water only when bolted to a pontoon. Excludes from the definition of "off-road vehicle" amphibious machines not required to be registered by the bureau of motor vehicles.

#### HB 1539: (LS 7674) Klinker (DI:47) University bonding authority.

Permits state universities and colleges to issue bonds for a project without the approval of the general assembly if the debt service on the bonds is paid entirely from funds donated to the university or college. Permits state universities and colleges to issue bonds for up to \$20 million per campus for qualified energy savings projects. (Current law limits each university or college to \$10 million for all of the campuses of the university or college.)

## HB 1540: (LS 7115) Klinker (DI:51) Tippecanoe superior courts.

Eliminates two county courts in Tippecanoe County. Adds three superior courts in Tippecanoe County and gives each court a small claims and misdemeanor division. Abolishes the position of magistrate for the county court. Allows the new superior courts to appoint one full-time magistrate.

# HB 1541: (LS 7541) Klinker (DI:92) Income tax credit for inventory tax.

Provides a credit against a taxpayer's state tax liability for property taxes paid on inventory. Provides that the credit is initially equal to 20% of property taxes paid on inventory and increases the credit percentage over five years until the credit may be claimed for 100% of property taxes paid on inventory.

# HB 1542: (LS 6708) Klinker (DI:98) Medicaid waiver for expenditure of funds.

Requires the office of Medicaid policy and planning to apply to the United States Department of Health and Human Services for approval to permit Indiana to allow the area agencies on aging to authorize the

expenditure of Medicaid funds for persons who are eligible for a waiver and to implement within one year of approval procedures to allow such authorization. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Indiana commission on mental retardation and developmental disabilities.)

# HB 1543: (LS 7711) Klinker (DI:98) Developmental disability quality assurance.

Requires the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services to establish a program to monitor and assure quality in the delivery of services to persons with developmental disabilities. Allows the division to establish the quality assurance program within the division or by contracting with an outside agency. Requires that the quality assurance program include: (1) training regarding the availability of community based services and the ability to choose among them; (2) response within 24 hours to complaints involving a threat to the life, safety, or health of a person with developmental disabilities; (3) evaluation of financial expenditures for services to persons with developmental disabilities; and (4) establishment of a statewide data base to provide information about the history of service providers. Establishes the Indiana quality assurance council for persons with developmental disabilities. Requires the council to study issues relating to the delivery of services to persons with developmental disabilities. Provides that the council consists of 18 members, with the chairperson appointed by the governor, and is to be staffed by the legislative services agency. Requires the council to submit its findings and recommendations to the governor and the general assembly before

December 1 of each year. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Indiana commission on mental retardation and developmental disabilities.)

## HB 1544: (LS 7492) Klinker (DI:44) Environmental liens in Tippecanoe County.

Authorizes the Tippecanoe County environmental response financing board to impose an environmental lien on the site of the Tippecanoe County landfill to recover the costs incurred by Tippecanoe County taxpayers for the cleanup of the landfill.

## HB 1545: (LS 6863) Klinker (DI:101) Regulation of sports agents.

Requires a person who acts as a sports agent within Indiana to hold a sports agent permit issued by the secretary of state. Allows the secretary of state to issue a sports agent permit to a person who meets specified requirements, including the posting of a bond. Provides that acting as a sports agent without a sports agent permit is a Class A misdemeanor. Requires that an agent contract between a sports agent and a student athlete must be in writing, be notarized, and state the applicable fee. Requires a sports agent who enters into an agent contract with a student athlete to notify the student athlete's institution within the time required by the statute criminalizing the failure to disclose recruitment. Requires a student athlete who enters into an agent contract to notify the student athlete's institution within 72 hours after executing the contract and before the student athlete participates in or practices for any intercollegiate athletic competition. Provides that failure of the student athlete to notify

the educational institution subjects the student athlete to disciplinary action and civil liability for any harm resulting to the educational institution. Requires a sports agent to establish and maintain business records. Requires the sports agent to allow the secretary of state to inspect the sports agent's business records. Allows a student athlete to rescind an agent contract under certain circumstances. Specifies conditions under which a sports agent permit may be revoked or suspended. Provides causes of action under which an institution of higher learning may recover damages caused by a sports agent or a student athlete, or both.

#### HB 1546: (LS 6952) Klinker (DI:2) Wine excise tax distribution formula.

Changes the distribution of revenue from the wine excise tax so that the general fund share is reduced by two cents and the wine grape market development fund is increased by two cents.

# HB 1547: (LS 7503) Klinker (DI:77) Childhood hazards program.

Expands the shaken baby syndrome education program to include other childhood hazards. Requires the department of health to implement a program focusing on awareness and prevention of childhood hazards. Annually appropriates \$250,000 to the childhood hazards education and prevention account for the biennium beginning July 1, 1999.

# HB 1548: (LS 6812) Klinker (DI:71) Indiana arts trust license plates.

Exempts Indiana arts trust license plates from minimum sales requirements for

special group license plates.

#### HB 1549: (LS 6899) Klinker (DI:2) Registration of kegs of beer.

Requires the registration of the seller and buyer of kegs of beer.

#### HB 1550: (LS 7498) Klinker (DI:73) National board certification of teachers.

Provides that the department of education shall each year pay the certification fees for up to 2,000 teachers who are participating in the certification process offered by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. Provides a national board certification incentive grant to school corporations equal to \$5,000 for each teacher employed by a school corporation who holds a valid certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards and who is a classroom teacher.

## HB 1551: (LS 6831) Frizzell (DI:71) Probationary driver's license.

Provides that an individual holding a probationary license who has been denied an operator's license based upon the individual's operation of a vehicle involved in an accident that resulted in the injury or death of a person or total property damage of at least \$750 may seek an administrative review of the denial if the individual can demonstrate that the individual was not at fault in the accident.

# HB 1552: (LS 7876) Frizzell (DI:51) Civil immunity for volunteers.

Grants civil immunity from liability for civil damages resulting from a negligent act or

omission of a volunteer other than an act or omission related to the operation of a motor vehicle. Limits the maximum liability for the operation of a motor vehicle by a volunteer to the limits of the insurance coverage maintained by or for the volunteer.

# HB 1553: (LS 7712) Stilwell (DI:94) Waiting periods and award reductions.

Eliminates the one week waiting period for unemployment compensation. Eliminates the 25% reduction of unemployment compensation award for disqualifying conditions and failure to find work. Makes a conforming amendment.

# HB 1554: (LS 8112) Bauer (DI:44) Tax abatement; research and development incentives.

Provides that property tax abatement deductions may be granted for any number of years less than or equal to ten years. (Current law limits the abatement deduction to three, six, or ten years for real property and five or ten years for personal property.) Provides that certain research and development equipment is eligible for property tax abatement deductions. Allows the abatement deduction for research and development equipment only if the equipment is used in a research and development facility engaged in activities devoted directly and exclusively to experimental or laboratory research and development for new products, new uses of existing products, or improving or testing existing products. Provides that the research expense credit against gross income taxes, adjusted gross income taxes, and supplemental corporate net income taxes expires on December 31, 2004 (instead of

December 31, 1999). Increases the maximum amount of the research expense credit from 5% to 6.5%.

### HB 1555: (LS 7540) Mahern (DI:44) Redevelopment and TIF in excluded cities.

Establishes a redevelopment district within each excluded city in Marion County. Permits the Marion County metropolitan development commission, serving as the redevelopment commission for the excluded city, to carry out redevelopment projects and to use various financing mechanisms, including tax increment financing, in such a redevelopment district. Requires certain approvals by the legislative body of the excluded city before the implementation of a redevelopment project or financing by the metropolitan development commission. Provides that tax increment finance revenues attributable to an allocation area in an excluded city must be used for projects within the excluded city.

# HB 1556: (LS 7793) Mahern (DI:96) Police and firefighter merit systems.

Requires all cities, towns, and townships that have full-time police and fire departments to use the statutory merit system or establish their own merit system for their police and fire departments not later than July 1, 2001.

#### HB 1557: (LS 7549) Mahern (DI:97) Minimum standards for bloodborne pathogens.

Requires the state department of health to adopt minimum standards for use by certain health care employers of needleless systems and engineered sharps injury protection to protect employees from occupational injuries that may transmit bloodborne disease. Provides that the health care employers establish evaluation committees composed of front line health care workers to evaluate use of needleless systems and engineered sharps injury protection by the employer. Requires the state department to maintain a list of needleless systems and sharps with engineered sharps injury protection to assist employers in complying with the minimum standards.

# HB 1558: (LS 7022) Kruzan (DI:69) Solid waste management.

Allows the solid waste management board to adopt rules that include a simplified tracking or manifest system for waste generating, processing, treating, and disposing facilities. Makes numerous technical corrections to the law concerning solid waste management.

### HB 1559: (LS 7523) Frenz (DI:51) State immunity for computer errors.

Grants immunity to the state of Indiana, a political subdivision, and any employee of the state or a political subdivision from tort and contract liability that is caused by an error resulting from or caused by a failure to recognize the year 1999, 2000, or a subsequent year, including an incorrect date or incorrect mechanical or electronic interpretation of a date that is produced, calculated, or generated by a computer, an information system, or equipment using microchips.

# HB 1560: (LS 7101) Pelath (DI:92) Elimination of riverboat cruising requirement.

Allows gambling to be conducted while a riverboat is docked.

### HB 1561: (LS 7682) Kuzman (DI:69) Air emissions reduction credit program.

Requires the Indiana development finance authority and the air pollution control board to adopt rules to establish an air emissions reduction credit program that uses market based, economic incentives to reduce or prevent emissions of air contaminants in Indiana. Specifies that the air emissions reduction credit program must: (1) allow air emissions reduction credits to be earned, banked, and traded for nitrogen oxide, particulate matter, volatile organic compounds, sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide, and other air contaminants that may be added to the program by the authority and the board; and (2) allow air emissions reduction credits to be earned by the source of an air contaminant to the extent that the source reduces the emission of the air contaminant below an established baseline level for the air contaminant. Provides that the: (1) value of air emissions reduction credits; and (2) liability for air emissions reduction credits bought and sold are determined by the buyer and seller of the air emissions reduction credits. Specifies that the owner of air emissions reduction credits may: (1) hold the credits for future use; or (2) trade the credits on an exchange. Requires the Indiana development finance authority to establish a registry program to: (1) identify and register air emissions reduction credits; and (2) act as a repository for all public information concerning air emissions reduction credits and air emissions reduction credits trading. Allows the authority to enter into a contract with a person to operate the registry program. Requires the department of environmental management to adopt rules that provide for

the review and approval of protocols to be used to establish an air emissions baseline level for the source of an air contaminant if a baseline level has not been established for the source: (1) in a permit issued to the source; or (2) under a statute or rule.

### HB 1562: (LS 6818) Ulmer (DI:96) Motorized bicycles.

Eliminates the requirement that a motorized bicycle have a maximum design speed of not more than 25 miles per hour on a flat surface. Provides that a motorized bicycle has a seat, but not a saddle, for the driver, two wheels, and a floor pad for the driver's feet.

### HB 1563: (LS 6466) Ulmer (DI:51) Commercial bribery.

Establishes the crime of commercial bribery, a Class D felony. Specifies that commercial bribery is a racketeering activity.

### HB 1564: (LS 7968) Mahern (DI:94) Credit union matters.

Allows a credit union to convert to a mutual savings bank. Eliminates the cap on locator fees for accounts without current address information. Eliminates the requirement that credit union real estate loan proceeds be used for development within one year of the date of the loan. Makes certain other changes related to credit unions.

### HB 1565: (LS 7758) Burton (DI:101) Boards of voter registration.

Repeals the provision that requires the establishment of a board of registration in each county having a population of more than 125,000, and instead allows the county executive to adopt an order establishing a board of registration. Allows the county executive to abolish a board of registration established under an order. Makes the circuit court clerk the voter registration officer in a county where the board of registration is abolished. Allows the county executive to adopt an order providing for procedures or standards to be followed in transferring the county's registration authority from a board to the circuit court clerk. Gives the county executive the authority to reestablish a board of registration that is abolished. Provides for the continuation of a board established prior to July 1, 1999, unless the county executive abolishes the board.

## HB 1566: (LS 7756) Burton (DI:101) Boards of voter registration.

Requires the establishment of a board of registration in each county having a population of more than 200,000. (Current law requires the establishment of a board of registration in each county having a population of more than 125,000.) Provides for the continuation of a board established before July 1, 1999, under the current population parameters unless the county election board unanimously votes to abolish the board. Makes the circuit court clerk the voter registration officer in a county where the board of registration is abolished. Gives the county executive the authority to reestablish a board of registration that is abolished.

### HB 1567: (LS 7931) Stilwell (DI:75) Utility regulatory commission jurisdiction.

Reconciles substantive and technical

conflicts between statutes enacted by the 1997 general assembly concerning the jurisdiction of the Indiana utility regulatory commission over local water companies. Modifies terms used in the statute. Elaborates on the process for contesting procedures for withdrawal from commission jurisdiction and for petitioning to return to commission jurisdiction. Repeals obsolete definitions and makes conforming changes.

### HB 1568: (LS 6890) Stilwell (DI:78) Abandoned mine reclamation fund.

Permits the use of the post-1977 abandoned mine reclamation fund to replace water supplies disrupted or contaminated by coal mining activities.

### HB 1569: (LS 6783) Bodiker (DI:73) Income tax credit for property taxes paid.

Provides a refundable credit against state adjusted gross income tax for an individual taxpayer if the property taxes paid by the taxpayer during the taxable year exceed an amount equal to 5% of the taxpayer's Indiana adjusted gross income.

# HB 1570: (LS 6834) Crawford (DI:87) Study of traffic violation stop patterns.

Requires the office of the attorney general to conduct a study of routine traffic violation stops of individuals by law enforcement officers in the state. Specifies the factors that must be considered in conducting the study. Requires the office of the attorney general to report the results of the study to the general assembly not later than July 1, 2001. Provides that data collected in the study: (1) shall be used only for research or statistical purposes and may not contain any

information that may reveal the identity of any individual who is stopped or any law enforcement officer; and (2) may not be used in any legal or administrative proceeding to establish an inference of discrimination on the basis of particular identifying characteristics.

### HB 1571: (LS 7019) Crawford (DI:69) Penalties for murder.

Provides that a person who was at least: (1) 16 years of age at the time the person committed murder may be sentenced to life imprisonment without parole; and (2) 18 years of age at the time the person committed murder may be sentenced to death or life imprisonment without parole. (Current law allows a person who was at least 16 years of age at the time the person committed murder to be sentenced to death or life imprisonment without parole.) Specifies that if a person: (1) was less than less than 18 years of age at the time the person committed murder; (2) was sentenced to death for committing the murder; and (3) is awaiting execution of the death sentence, the person's death sentence is commuted to a sentence of life imprisonment without parole.

### HB 1572: (LS 7732) Crooks (DI:101) Indiana utility regulatory commission procedures.

Moves the deadline from April 30 to March 31 for a public utility to file with the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) the balance sheet of the utility's accountings from the previous year. Requires good cause before the IURC may require a formal public hearing on a petition or complaint concerning a rate change request by a utility.

Allows the IURC to adopt rules or issue orders that establish regulatory procedures or standards governing a public or municipally owned utility that: (1) serves less than 5,000 customers; (2) primarily provides retail service to customers; (3) does not serve extensively another utility. Prohibits the IURC from billing or collecting a public utility fee that equals \$50 or less under the current system that bases fees on a fraction of a public utility's gross revenue.

## HB 1573: (LS 7904) Grubb (DI:58) Tax reciprocity with Illinois.

Permits the department of state revenue, with the approval of the budget agency after the review of the state budget committee, to make a payment to the state of Illinois for excess income taxes collected by Indiana from Illinois residents compared with Illinois collections of income taxes from Indiana residents.

### HB 1574: (LS 7024) Bosma (DI:71) Minimum age for kindergarten.

Provides that a child must be at least five years of age on the following dates to officially enroll in a kindergarten program offered by a school corporation: (1) July 1 of the 2000-2001 school year. (2) August 1 of the 2001-2002 school year. (3) September 1 of the 2002-2003 school year or any subsequent school year. (Current law requires that a child must be at least five years of age on June 1 to officially enroll in a kindergarten program.) Allows the governing body of a school corporation to adopt a procedure for a parent to appeal to the school superintendent for kindergarten enrollment of a child who is not five years

old on the statutory date. (Current law requires a school corporation to adopt the procedure.)

### HB 1575: (LS 7106) Bosma (DI:92) Prohibit automated teller machines on riverboats.

Prohibits the placement of automated teller machines on board riverboats.

### HB 1576: (LS 8058) Bosma (DI:98) Indiana youth development study commission.

Establishes the Indiana youth development study commission to collect data and provide recommendations regarding the availability of youth development services. Requires the commission to submit an initial report to the governor and general assembly before December 1, 1999, and a final report before July 1, 2001.

### HB 1577: (LS 7026) Bosma (DI:2) Charter schools.

Allows the governing body of a school corporation to issue a charter to an organizer to establish a charter school within the school corporation. Provides an appeal to the superintendent of public instruction when a charter school proposal is not accepted but at least one-third of the members of the governing body favor the proposal. Sets forth the organization, powers, method of establishment, charter contents, policies, oversight, and restrictions for charter schools. Requires the charter to establish whether collective bargaining applies to a charter school and to identify the bargaining unit for the charter school. Requires all charter school teachers to have a college degree and at least 75% of the teachers to hold a license to teach in a public school.

### HB 1578: (LS 7959) Wolkins (DI:69) Underground storage tank grant program.

Allows the Indiana development finance authority to use money in the underground storage tank guaranty fund to award grants to certain underground storage tank owners and operators who closed or removed underground storage tanks after December 31, 1997, and before July 1, 1998. Transfers \$120,000 from the underground petroleum storage tank excess liability trust fund to the underground storage tank guaranty fund to be used by the Indiana development finance authority to award grants to these underground storage tank owners and operators.

### HB 1579: (LS 7033) Avery (DI:71) Native American license plates.

Provides that money in the Indiana Native American trust fund is distributed annually to the Indiana Native American Council, which determines the allocation of the money.

## HB 1580: (LS 7767) Kuzman (DI:2) Advertising signs for alcoholic beverages.

Provides that an alcoholic beverage primary source of supply or wholesaler is no longer prohibited from selling, giving, supplying, furnishing, granting, or maintaining for a retail or dealer permittee an illuminated advertising sign, and that it is no longer unlawful for the permittee to be the recipient of any of these actions.

### HB 1581: (LS 6891) Porter (DI:96) State merit employment.

Provides that the state may not lay off an

employee in the classified service in order to provide an employment position for a welfare to work participant. Provides that the state may not terminate a regular employee to create and fill the resulting vacancy with a welfare to work participant. Provides that the state may not create or fill an established employment position with a welfare to work participant by displacement of any type, interference with the return to work by an employee from any type of leave, replacement of an employee on layoff, or the filling of an established position in a manner other than already provided by law. Provides that the state may not create or fill an established employment position with a welfare to work participant so that an existing contract for services is impaired or that a labor dispute or violation of an existing collective bargaining agreement results. Requires that the state director of personnel provide to the union bargaining unit representatives written notification within 30 days after assignment to an employment location of a welfare to work participant. Requires the written notification to the union bargaining unit representatives to include the complaint and appeal procedure provided in this chapter.

# HB 1582: (LS 7938) Porter (DI:69) Inmate correspondence.

Allows the department of correction to read, censor, copy, or otherwise interfere with correspondence sent to or from an inmate if: (1) the inmate has been convicted of a crime that involved the use of correspondence to engage in an illegal activity or the inmate has been found guilty after a hearing conducted by the department of using correspondence to commit misconduct; or

(2) the department receives a written request from a federal or state law enforcement agency to monitor the inmate's correspondence. Specifies that the department does not have to notify the inmate that it is monitoring the inmate's correspondence if the monitoring is done at the written request of a federal or state law enforcement agency.

# HB 1583: (LS 6311) Dickinson (DI:76) Child fatality review teams.

Expands the duties of the community child protection team to include reviewing the investigation surrounding a child's death that is referred to the coroner or referred to the child protection team from the state child fatality review team or a county health officer. Adds the following members to each community child protection team: (1) The county health officer or the officer's designee. (2) The county coroner or deputy coroner. Allows each child protection team to establish an additional child protection team within the county to assist in carrying out certain responsibilities regarding the review of child fatalities. Establishes the state child fatality review team. Specifies numerous duties of the state child fatality review team regarding child fatalities. Requires a community child protection team to report the following to the state child fatality review team: (1) The cause of death. (2) The circumstances surrounding the cause of death. (3) Agency, community, and school involvement with the family before the death. (4) Trends and recommendations for preventing child deaths. Specifies confidentiality requirements relating to records reviewed by and meetings conducted by each team. Appropriates \$40,000 to the

state department of health to provide training to the state child fatality review team and each community child protection team regarding carrying out its responsibilities relating to child fatalities.

### HB 1584: (LS 7240) Smith V (DI:69) Bail and controlled substance offenses.

Establishes a rebuttable presumption for purposes of admitting a defendant to bail, that: (1) there is a risk of nonappearance by the defendant; and (2) the defendant poses a risk of physical danger to another person or the community if the court finds probable cause to believe that the defendant committed a controlled substance offense classified as a Class A felony or Class B felony. Provides that, if a defendant has been charged with a controlled substance offense classified as a Class A felony or Class B felony, the court must impose at least one of certain described conditions. Requires a court that is setting the amount of bail for a defendant who has been charged with a controlled substance offense classified as a Class A felony or Class B felony to take into account the amount of the controlled substance involved in the offense. Requires a court to carefully consider the necessity of setting a substantial amount of bail to assure a defendant's appearance in court or to assure the physical safety of another person or the community if the defendant has been charged with a controlled substance offense that is classified as a Class A felony or Class B felony.

### HB 1585: (LS 7137) Smith V (DI:51) Indiana civil rights commission.

Transfers jurisdiction over age

discrimination proceedings from the commissioner of labor to the Indiana civil rights commission. Adds references to age discrimination to various statutes dealing with discriminatory activity. Allows the Indiana civil rights commission to impose reasonable attorney's fees and costs against a person who has been found to have engaged in an unlawful discriminatory practice. Allows a complainant or a respondent to elect to commence a civil action concerning a discriminatory practice in a state court without the consent of the other party. Limits the time in which a civil action may be brought. Allows the Indiana civil rights commission to bring a civil action concerning a discriminatory practice in a state court. Allows the Indiana civil rights commission to intervene as a party in a civil action concerning a discriminatory practice. Makes other changes.

# HB 1586: (LS 6847) Kuzman (DI:69) Landfills in air quality nonattainment areas.

Requires a person who applies for a permit to construct or operate a solid waste landfill in a nonattainment area under the federal Clean Air Act to submit a description of: (1) the air emissions that will be produced by the landfill; and (2) the effect the air emissions will have on the air quality in the nonattainment area along with the person's permit application.

### HB 1587: (LS 7470) Foley (DI:69) Pre-suit mediation.

Defines "pre-suit mediation" as mediation conducted: (1) between at least two parties to a civil dispute that is not the subject of a suit filed in a state court or federal court that

has primary jurisdiction; and (2) by an individual who is registered as a civil mediator with the Indiana supreme court. Allows the parties to a pre-suit mediation to select a mediator by mutual agreement. Establishes a procedure for the parties to select a mediator if the parties are not able to agree on a mediator. Specifies that: (1) pre-suit mediation sessions must be closed to all persons except the parties and the mediator; (2) communications between the parties to a pre-suit mediation are considered confidential; and (3) a mediator may not disclose any information concerning a pre-suit mediation. Provides that a mediator who conducts a pre-suit mediation: (1) is immune from liability in the same manner and to the same extent as the judge of a trial court; and (2) may not be called to testify in a judicial or an administrative proceeding concerning communications made during a pre-suit mediation.

### HB 1588: (LS 7177) Steele (DI:100) Cemetery protection.

Requires the person effecting disinterment, removal, and reinterment of a grave to give 60 days written notice to the decedent's next of kin and publish the notice in a newspaper of general circulation. Requires the person effecting the removal of a grave to file a certificate of removal facts with the county recorder in the county from which the grave is removed and the county in which reinterment is made. Requires that the certificate of removal facts list information contained on the gravestone or other markers, such as the birth date, death date, and family name. Requires that all expenses associated with the disinterment, removal, acquisition of the new burial site, and

reinterment be paid by the person effecting the disinterment, removal, acquisition, and reinterment. Requires the person effecting the disinterment, removal, and reinterment to ensure that the site for reinterment is suitable and reasonably accessible to relatives of the decedent. Requires that disinterment, removal, and reinterment be performed under the supervision and direction of the county executive or the county executive's designee. Requires that due care be taken to furnish suitable coffins or boxes for reinterring human remains and to remove, protect, and replace all gravestones or other markers.

### HB 1589: (LS 7818) Avery (DI:92) Financial institutions taxation.

Treats resident financial institutions the same as nonresident financial institutions for purposes of the financial institutions tax by providing that the tax is imposed upon the apportioned Indiana income of financial institutions. (Current law imposes the financial institutions tax on the adjusted gross income of resident financial institutions.)

### HB 1590: (LS 8005) Dvorak (DI:76) Child support enforcement.

Confers authority upon the Title IV-D program to modify child support orders. Makes income withholding orders applicable to all categories of worker's compensation payments. Applies the chain of custody requirements in paternity testing to genetic testing. Requires that before a child support order may be issued or modified or a paternity affidavit may be properly executed, the child's Social Security

number must be provided. Requires an application for a marriage license to contain each of the applicant's Social Security numbers. Specifies that the state's parent locator service applies to a parent who owes child support in addition to a parent who has abandoned or deserted a child. Allows for the attachment of an insurance claim or settlement if the purpose is to fulfill a child support obligation. Requires incentive funds to be used for Title IV-D program activities. Makes changes to bring Indiana into compliance with the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act.

### HB 1591: (LS 7737) Dvorak (DI:100) Trademark protection.

Amends the provision on the types of property that may be seized in a criminal action to include items bearing a counterfeit mark and all property used in trademark counterfeiting. Makes it a Class A misdemeanor to commit trademark counterfeiting. Makes it a Class C felony to manufacture an item or services bearing or identified by a counterfeit mark. Establishes fines.

### HB 1592: (LS 7982) Dvorak (DI:69) Sexual predator sentencing.

Requires a court to sentence a person convicted of a sexual predator felony to an additional fixed term of imprisonment of 20 or 25 years as a serial sexual predator if the state proves beyond a reasonable doubt that the person has accumulated at least two unrelated sexual predator felony convictions. Defines "sexual predator felony" as rape, criminal deviate conduct, child molesting, child exploitation, vicarious sexual

gratification, child solicitation, child seduction, sexual misconduct with a minor, sexual battery, or incest.

### HB 1593: (LS 6587) Dvorak (DI:51) Products liability

Repeals the comparative fault provisions of the product liability law. Applies the product liability law to a seller who is not the manufacturer of the product. Eliminates the need to prove that the manufacturer failed to exercise reasonable care in a product liability action based on a design defect or on a failure to provide adequate warnings.

### HB 1594: (LS 6449) Dvorak (DI:51) Court reporting services.

Imposes restrictions on who may take a deposition for use in a proceeding in an Indiana court.

# HB 1595: (LS 6119) Dvorak (DI:76) Marriage requirements.

Provides that a marriage is void without legal proceedings if the parties to the marriage are issued a marriage license in Indiana but have the marriage solemnized in another state. Makes conforming changes.

## HB 1596: (LS 6889) Dvorak (DI:94) Unemployment matters.

Allows unemployment insurance records to be disclosed if the individual and the employing unit authorize the disclosure. Allows information from unemployment insurance records that is necessary for a lawful investigation to be made available to an agency of the United States or a state agency. Provides that the directors and

officers of an employer have personal liability for unemployment taxes owed by the employer. Provides that a violation of the unemployment compensation article is a Class D felony unless otherwise stated. Provides that in a corporate dissolution, unless the department of workforce development has issued a clearance, the officers and directors of the corporation are personally liable for amounts owed by the corporation to the department of workforce development if the corporation has insufficient assets to pay the amounts owed to the department. Requires a corporation seeking reinstatement after an administration dissolution to submit a certificate to the secretary of state from the department of workforce development stating that all employer contributions owed by the corporation under the worker's compensation statute have been paid. Provides that licensing bureaus and boards may allow the department of workforce development to have access to the name of each person who has a license or has applied for a license. Prohibits a licensing board or bureau from issuing a license to a person who has unpaid contribution liability with the department of workforce development.

### HB 1597: (LS 7771) Oxley (DI:94) Various financial institutions matters.

Eliminates regulation on charges for dormant accounts. Eliminates provisions of state law preempted by federal law. Provides regulations for financial institution subsidiaries. Provides for registration of names assumed by a financial institution. Specifies department of financial institution powers over a holding company that owns a state chartered financial institution. Allows mutual savings associations and mutual savings banks to establish voting party rights through articles of incorporation or conversion. Updates a reference to federal law. Corrects a reference to federal law. Allows a corporate fiduciary to act as an agent for the sale of a life insurance policy. Makes other specific changes. Makes conforming amendments.

### HB 1598: (LS 6886) Cherry (DI:58) Registration of intrastate motor carriers.

Specifies that the requirement that intrastate motor carriers not operating under authority issued by the United States Department of Transportation must register with the department of state revenue as an intrastate motor carrier applies only to intrastate motor carriers operating for hire.

### HB 1599: (LS 7429) Cherry (DI:73) Highway funding.

Changes the basis upon which the auditor of state distributes money from the local road and street account among the counties from a distribution based only on passenger car registrations to a distribution based on passenger car and pickup truck registrations. Phases in the change over a five year period beginning July 1, 1999. Provides that if, because of the addition of pickup trucks to the local road and street account distribution formula, a county, city, or town receives a smaller distribution from the account or receives a smaller distribution of certain other taxes that are allocated in the same proportion as distributions from the account, the county, city, or town is entitled to an additional state distribution equal to half of the difference.

### HB 1600: (LS 7324) GiaQuinta (DI:73) Economic development.

Provides that in Fort Wayne, a professional sports and convention development area may include a facility connected to and shares at least one common area with a facility that is included in the development area and used for convention and tourism related events.

## HB 1601: (LS 8031) Crooks (DI:101) Cable operator access to multiple dwelling units.

Gives a tenant the right to receive cable service from a cable operator serving a multiple dwelling unit. Provides that wiring furnished by a cable operator, at its expense, in a multiple dwelling unit is the personal property of the cable operator or its assignee. Prohibits and makes unenforceable a restriction, contract provision, or lease provision that impairs the installation, maintenance, or use of an antenna that: (1) is designed to receive direct broadcast satellite service and is one meter or less in diameter; (2) is designed to receive video programming services via multipoint distribution services and is one meter or less in diameter or diagonal measurement; or (3) is designed to receive television broadcast signals. Provides that a restriction that is otherwise prohibited is enforceable if it is not more burdensome than necessary to: (1) accomplish a clearly defined safety objective; or (2) preserve an historic building, structure, or location listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

HB 1602: (LS 8097) Crooks (DI:98) Indigent funeral expenses.

Provides for payment of funeral expenses of certain indigent persons. Establishes the minimum and maximum amounts to be paid for those expenses. Provides for an annual increase in the maximum amounts based upon the consumer price index. Requires the county office of family and children of the county in which the individual resided before death, or the county in which the individual died if the county of residence is unknown, to pay the expenses with reimbursement from the division of family and children. Provides that the county health officer is responsible for arranging the disposition of a decedent if there is no surviving spouse, adult child, parent, or personal representative. Allows a funeral director to require the use of an alternative container, to limit the time for visitation, and to refuse to provide cremation in certain situations. Repeals current provisions regarding the payment of funeral expenses for certain indigent persons.

# HB 1603: (LS 7442) Mangus (DI:94) Town park board members.

Provides that a member of a town park board in a town with a population greater than 1,000 must reside within the park district. Provides that there are no residency requirements for a town park board in a town with a population of 1,000 or less. Provides that a member of a recreation board in a town with a population of 1,000 or less may be a person who is not a resident freeholder.

### HB 1604: (LS 7853) Mangus (DI:2) Snowmobile registration fees.

Increases the fee from \$15 to \$30 for the

registration of a snowmobile with the department of natural resources. Provides that the department of natural resources may purchase land for snowmobile trails only from a willing seller of the land. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the natural resources study committee.)

### HB 1605: (LS 7587) Mangus (DI:58) Job training tax credit.

Establishes a one year pilot program in St. Joseph County that provides income tax credits for training programs provided by or paid for by employers for their employees. Limits the credit to \$500 per employee and to \$250,000 for all taxpayers.

### HB 1606: (LS 7598) Cherry (DI:47) Local government agreements.

Extends by 30 days the deadline before which a local unit of government must file copies of interlocal agreements with the state board of accounts. (Current law requires an agreement to be filed within 60 days after the agreement takes effect.)

# HB 1607: (LS 7122) Cherry (DI:2) Education technical and style changes.

Makes technical and style changes concerning education in the Indiana Code.

### HB 1608: (LS 8049) Bailey (DI:87) Annexation provisions.

Changes the notice requirements for certain annexations. Specifies the contents of an annexation ordinance. Provides that all landowners within contiguous territory may petition the municipality to annex the territory. Provides that if a municipality

annexes territory that has no population, the annexation may take effect in the year preceding a federal decennial census. Requires a municipality to record a waiver of remonstrance received as a condition of providing a municipal service. Extends the deadline for a municipality to provide noncapital and capital services to annexed territory if the municipality implements a tax abatement program in the annexed area. Eliminates the requirement that a municipality hold a public hearing or adopt a fiscal plan in certain annexations. Specifies when an annexation becomes effective. Provides that a municipality is not required to implement a fiscal plan until all appeals have been concluded. Eliminates the procedure that allows landowners to petition the municipal works board for disannexation. Changes the requirements for filing an annexation ordinance or judgment in an annexation proceeding. Provides that in an action against a municipality for failure to provide services, the court must find in favor of the municipality if the failure was due to an emergency. Provides that the legal requirements for filing an annexation or disannexation are met if the annexation is entered by the county auditor on property tax records before July 1, 1999.

# HB 1609: (LS 7562) Liggett (DI:94) Civil liability for common construction wages.

Provides that failure to pay the common construction wage makes the subcontractor or contractor liable for three times the actual damages sustained.

## HB 1610: (LS 7914) Liggett (DI:96) Base period for unemployment compensation.

Changes the base period for computation of unemployment benefits to the last four completed calendar quarters. (Current law provides that the base period for computation of unemployment benefits is the first four of the last five calendar quarters.)

### HB 1611: (LS 7480) Brown C (DI:77) Health facility monitor payments.

Permits the state department of health to use money from fines imposed upon health facilities to pay the costs of monitors in health facilities that are financially unable to pay the monitor's costs.

### HB 1612: (LS 7631) Brown C (DI:88) Children's health insurance program.

Provides that a child who is less than 19 years of age and who is a member of a family with an income that does not exceed 150% of the federal income poverty level qualifies for Medicaid. Requires the office of Medicaid policy and planning, in operating a managed care program, to offer to contract with and encourage contracts from community entities to manage certain aspects of the program. Requires the office of the children's health insurance program to adopt a sliding scale formula that specifies the premiums to be paid by the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the program. (Current law makes the premiums optional.) Requires that a child and the child's family meet certain requirements in order to enroll in the children's health insurance program. Allows the office administering the program to do the following: (1) Offer additional basic services if appropriations to the program exist to pay for the additional

services. (2) Establish a program of employer based subsidies to encourage employers to provide coverage under the children's health insurance program. (3) Offer to contract with and encourage contracts from community entities to manage certain aspects of the program. Provides certain requirements that the office administering the program must undertake. Provides that a provider that contracts with either the Medicaid managed care program or the children's health insurance program is considered a provider for both programs. Requires direct access to certain speciality providers within the children's health insurance program if direct access is provided as part of the Medicaid managed care program. Requires that community health centers be used to provide health care services for the children's health insurance program. Establishes the children's health oversight committee to coordinate programs designed to provide health care to children and to oversee implementation of the children's health insurance program. Makes conforming amendments.

# **HB 1613:** (LS 7949) Brown C (DI:77) Health professions standards of practice.

Provides that a determination that a health profession practitioner is unfit to practice due to professional incompetence may include a finding that the practitioner undertook professional activities the practitioner was not qualified by training or experience to undertake. Adds the following prohibited actions to the health professions standards: (1) failure to comply with an order issued by the practitioner's board; and (2) engaging in or soliciting sexual contact with the practitioner's patient.

#### HB 1614: (LS 8075) Buck (DI:77) Medicaid payments for tobacco related diseases.

Establishes the tobacco related diseases fund within the state Medicaid program to pay the state's share of Medicaid payments for the treatment of tobacco related diseases. Provides that money in the fund consists of money from the tobacco settlement. Requires that money in the fund be used in its entirety during each state fiscal year before the state's share of Medicaid payments for the treatment of tobacco related diseases may be taken from the Medicaid account within the state general fund. Requires a health care provider to inform the office of Medicaid policy and planning when the provider treats an individual who is enrolled in the Medicaid program for a tobacco related disease. Requires the office of Medicaid policy and planning, with the assistance of the state department of health, to establish a list of tobacco related diseases. Makes conforming amendments.

### HB 1615: (LS 7997) Buck (DI:47) Appropriation for Kempton fire services.

Appropriates \$200,000 from the state general fund to the town of Kempton for a fire truck and auxiliary water supplies.

# HB 1616: (LS 7994) Buck (DI:47) Appropriation for Sheridan parks.

Appropriates \$125,000 from the state general fund to the Sheridan parks department for land acquisition and facility development at North Park.

### HB 1617: (LS 7983) Buck (DI:47) Harrison township fire department.

Appropriates \$237,000 from the state general fund to the Harrison township (Howard County) volunteer fire department to construct an addition to the fire station (a portion of which will be used as an office for the township trustee).

# HB 1618: (LS 7965) Ayres (DI:94) Unpaid checks and warrants drawn on public funds.

Provides that warrants or checks drawn upon public funds are void, rather than canceled, if outstanding and unpaid for two years or more.

### HB 1619: (LS 6005) Budak (DI:97) Restricted sales at flea markets.

Prohibits the sale of baby food, cosmetics, devices, and drugs at flea markets except by authorized manufacturer's or distributor's representatives.

# HB 1620: (LS 6054) Budak (DI:76) Dissolution of marriage waiting period.

Extends the minimum waiting period from 60 days to 120 days before a dissolution of marriage may be finalized. Retains 60 days as the minimum waiting period upon a showing of domestic violence against a party or the party's minor child. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on family law issues.)

# HB 1621: (LS 7089) Murphy (DI:73) Approval of tax rates in Marion County.

Requires a taxing unit (other than an excluded city) located in Marion County that intends to increase its property tax rate to

submit its proposed property tax levy and property tax rate to the city-county council for approval. Provides that the city-county council may approve or deny the proposed property tax rate increase. Provides that if the city-county council denies the proposed property tax rate increase, the state board of tax commissioners may not approve the property tax rate increase unless the state board finds that a failure to increase the property tax rate will adversely affect the health, safety, or well-being of the citizens of Marion County.

### HB 1622: (LS 7505) Murphy (DI:73) Authority of appointed boards.

Requires the property tax levy, the property tax rate, a lease with an original term of at least five years, and bonded indebtedness of a civil taxing unit (other than an excluded city in Marion County) that does not have a majority of elected members to be approved by the city, town, or county fiscal body.

## HB 1623: (LS 7747) Murphy (DI:69) Drinking water revolving loan fund.

Allows public utilities that own, operate, manage, or control systems for the provision to the public of water for human consumption through pipes or other constructed conveyances that: (1) serve at least 15 service connections used by year-round residents; or (2) regularly serve at least 25 year-round residents to obtain loans and other financial assistance from the drinking water revolving loan fund and supplemental drinking water assistance fund. (Current law allows only political subdivisions to obtain loans and other financial assistance from the drinking water

revolving loan fund and supplemental drinking water assistance fund.)

## HB 1624: (LS 6861) Murphy (DI:58) Higher education funding.

Eliminates state government approval requirements for a state university to acquire, construct, remodel, renovate, furnish, or equip a specific project. Provides a general assembly covenant that it will make fee replacement appropriations to cover debt service on state university bonds.

# HB 1625: (LS 7815) Bottorff (DI:2) License to take an extra turkey.

Allows the department of natural resources to issue a license for a hunter to take an additional turkey. (Current law allows a hunter to take one turkey annually.) (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the natural resources study committee.)

#### HB 1626: (LS 7811) Bottorff (DI:92) County property tax assessment board of appeals.

Provides that the board of county commissioners shall appoint all three freehold members of the county property tax assessment board of appeals. (Current law requires the board of county commissioners and the county council to each appoint two freehold members.) Removes the requirement that at least one member of the board must be a level two assessor-appraiser. Provides that the county assessor shall serve as the president of the board and that the county auditor or the county auditor's designee shall serve as secretary of the board. (Current law requires the members to elect a president and the county assessor to serve as the secretary of

the board.)

### HB 1627: (LS 7194) Bottorff (DI:58) Economic development tax credits.

Allows the economic development for a growing economy board the option of providing tax credits for job retention for the Colgate-Palmolive Company operation in Clarksville.

## HB 1628: (LS 7791) Bottorff (DI:75) IURC enforcement authority.

Gives the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) authority to impose certain penalties on a utility over which the commission has jurisdiction if the utility violates Indiana utility law or fails to comply with an order of the commission or a division of the commission. Provides that the commission may impose the following penalties: (1) A civil penalty of not more than \$25,000 for each violation. (2) A cease and desist order. (3) An order that the utility take corrective action to remedy the violation. (4) Revocation or modification of the utility's certificate of territorial authority, certificate of public convenience and necessity, or other permit issued by the commission. Authorizes the attorney general to bring an action to enforce an order of the commission to impose a penalty. Provides for the deposit of civil penalties collected under an order issued by the commission in the commission's public utility fund account. Authorizes the commission to require a public utility to post a bond with the commission to guarantee payment of any civil penalties imposed upon the public utility. Authorizes the commission or a division of the commission to direct a utility

to provide service within 24 hours of the direction if the commission or division determines that the provision of utility service is necessary to prevent injury to a person or to alleviate an emergency. Provides that each day a utility fails to provide service after directed by the commission or a division of the commission is a separate violation for purposes of the commission's authority to impose civil penalties. Repeals a superseded statute relating to the commission's enforcement powers.

# HB 1629: (LS 7691) Mellinger (DI:69) Imprisonment for operating a vehicle while intoxicated.

Requires a court to order a person who has been convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated to be imprisoned for a certain minimum number of days based on: (1) the type of offense the person committed; and (2) the number of previous convictions for operating a vehicle while intoxicated that the person has accumulated. Repeals the current provision concerning mandatory imprisonment for operating a vehicle while intoxicated.

# HB 1630: (LS 6897) Mellinger (DI:2) Hunting and fishing by disabled veterans.

Entitles a military veteran who has a service connected disability to reduced fees for hunting and fishing licenses.

### HB 1631: (LS 7395) Mellinger (DI:94) Railway safety.

Provides the department of transportation with safety inspection authority for railroad rights-of-way, terminals, rail yards, and rail loading and unloading facilities. Provides that the department may hold a hearing on a safety concern. Provides that after a hearing the department may order the removal of a dangerous or an unhealthy condition.

#### HB 1632: (LS 7740) Cook (DI:96) Motor vehicle theft prevention authority.

Creates the motor vehicle theft prevention authority. Requires a fee of \$1 to be paid by a defendant for a violation of a traffic offense and a fee of \$5 to be paid by a defendant for a violation of a moving traffic offense. Establishes the motor vehicle theft prevention fund into which the fees are deposited. Requires that money in the fund be used to pay the cost of administering the authority and to provide grants to law enforcement agencies, judicial agencies, prosecuting attorneys, and certain other organizations within the state to combat motor vehicle theft.

#### HB 1633: (LS 8000) Cook (DI:75) Retainage and bonding for public works projects.

Provides that a public works contract may not contain provisions requiring both retainage bonds and payment and performance bonds. Requires the amount of payment and performance bonds to be 150% of the cost of the public works project.

# HB 1634: (LS 8094) Lutz J (DI:73) Appropriation for Lafayette Township substation.

Appropriates \$350,000 from the build Indiana fund to the Frankton fire department for capital improvements to the Lafayette Township substation.

# HB 1635: (LS 8095) Lutz J (DI:73) Appropriation for Memorial Field.

Appropriates \$180,000 from the build Indiana fund to Madison County for the improvement of Memorial Field.

#### HB 1636: (LS 7613) Fry (DI:44) Redevelopment commission bonds; TIF expenditures.

Requires a redevelopment commission to obtain approval of the municipal or county fiscal body before issuing bonds. Provides that expenditures from a tax increment finance allocation fund are subject to approval by the municipal or county fiscal body. Provides that the municipal or county fiscal body may not refuse to approve an expenditure from the allocation fund if that refusal would impair the rights of bondholders.

### HB 1637: (LS 7572) Fry (DI:94) Stoplights on U.

31. Requires the Indiana department of transportation to remove two stoplights for every one stoplight erected on U.S. 31 from I-465 in Hamilton County to the U.S. 20 bypass in St. Joseph County.

# HB 1638: (LS 7113) Grubb (DI:75) Coal purchase preference.

Requires a purchasing agent for a state university to give an absolute preference to coal mined in Indiana or coal mined by a person at least 50% of whose employees are Indiana residents when the purchasing agent buys coal for use as fuel. (Under current law, the purchasing agent is required to give an absolute preference only to coal mined in

Indiana.)

### HB 1639: (LS 7826) Bauer (DI:96) Bureau of motor vehicles.

Prohibits money collected for the motor vehicle highway account fund from being used to augment the budget of the bureau of motor vehicles commission. Requires the commission to determine annually the cost of operating license branches. Requires the commission to fund license branch operations with service charges on license branch services. Requires the bureau to adopt rules to decrease the service charges for services provided entirely outside the license branches.

### HB 1640: (LS 7837) Bauer (DI:92) Sales tax exemption for digital TV equipment.

Exempts from sales tax the purchase of telecommunications machinery or equipment used to enable a television station located in Indiana to originate and broadcast or to receive and broadcast digital television signals in compliance with federal law.

# HB 1641: (LS 8104) Bauer (DI:71) Pearl Harbor Survivors license plate.

Exempts a special group recognition license plate issued for survivors of the attack on Pearl Harbor from minimum license plate sales requirements.

# HB 1642: (LS 8039) Bauer (DI:69) Obscenity and matter harmful to minors.

Makes it a Class D felony (or a Class C or a Class B felony under certain circumstances) for a person to knowingly or intentionally send or bring into Indiana or send or take out

of Indiana obscene matter for sale or distribution. Makes it a Class A misdemeanor (or a Class D or Class C felony under certain circumstances) for a person to knowingly or intentionally distribute, offer to distribute, send, bring, or exhibit to another person obscene matter for a noncommercial purpose or while acting within the scope of the person's employment with no financial interest in the obscene matter. Makes it a Class D felony (or a Class C or Class B felony under certain circumstances) for a person to knowingly or intentionally distribute, offer to distribute, send, bring, or exhibit to another person obscene matter while exercising ownership or managerial control over the obscene matter. Makes it a Class A misdemeanor (or a Class D or Class C felony under certain circumstances) for a person to knowingly or intentionally engage in, participate in, manage, produce, sponsor, present, exhibit, photograph, film, or videotape any obscene performance for a noncommercial purpose or while acting within the scope of the person's employment with no financial interest in the obscene performance. Makes it a Class D felony (or a Class C or Class B felony under certain circumstances) for a person to knowingly or intentionally engage in, participate in, manage, produce, sponsor, present, exhibit, photograph, film, or videotape any obscene performance while exercising ownership or managerial control over the obscene performance. Makes it a Class A misdemeanor for a person to knowingly or intentionally sell or distribute or display for sale or distribution to any person matter that is harmful to minors within 500 feet of the nearest property line of a school, library, licensed day care center, church, or facility used to provide activities

for persons less than sixteen (16) years of age after school hours. Lowers the penalty for certain acts of disseminating matter harmful to minors or engaging in certain conduct harmful to minors from a Class D felony to a Class A misdemeanor, except for persons with certain prior convictions. Makes the offense a Class D felony if the person has a prior unrelated conviction.

## HB 1643: (LS 7232) Burton (DI:2) Elective study of the Bible in public high schools.

Requires school corporations beginning in the 2001-2002 school year to offer a total of two credits of elective high school instruction in: (1) the history of the Bible; and (2) the influence of the Bible in history and literature. Provides that the instruction may not be devotional or promote religious beliefs or practices, and a student may not be required or influenced to elect to participate in the instruction. Requires the department of education to make available to school corporations a list of appropriate available instructional material for this instruction, develop curriculum guides to assist teachers, and provide other assistance to school corporations.

### HB 1644: (LS 7872) Leuck (DI:76) Violent crime victims compensation fund.

Increases from \$10,000 to \$15,000 the maximum award available to each person who is eligible for financial assistance from the violent crime victims compensation fund. Broadens the scope of the fund to include compensation, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000, for counseling for a minor dependent of a victim of a violent crime who witnesses the crime. Eliminates the

requirement that the victim of the violent crime incur at least a \$100 out-of-pocket loss before being eligible for compensation from the fund.

## HB 1645: (LS 7964) Harris (DI:76) HIV testing of inmates.

Requires a court that grants a sentence reduction or suspension to a convicted person under certain circumstances to undergo a screening test for the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) before the person who receives the sentence reduction or suspension may be released from a correctional facility. Requires that whenever a test confirms the presence of HIV antibodies, the court shall notify the convicted person and order that the results be reported to the state department of health. Requires the state department of health to submit an annual report to the governor, legislative council, and department of correction regarding: (1) the prevalence of acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) and HIV in persons in correctional facilities in Indiana who receive the sentence reductions or suspensions; and (2) current treatments for AIDS and HIV offered by the department of correction and suggestions for improvements.

# HB 1646: (LS 8027) Cochran (DI:69) Disposition of seized property.

Requires property seized under the law concerning forfeiture of property used in violation of certain criminal statutes to be transferred, upon motion of a prosecuting attorney, to the appropriate federal authority for disposition under federal laws concerning customs duties and drug abuse

prevention and control.

### HB 1647: (LS 8035) Cochran (DI:75) Public officers compensation commission.

Establishes the public officers salary commission consisting of nine members. Authorizes the commission to adopt administrative rules to govern the proceedings of the commission and to set the salaries of: (1) members of the general assembly; (2) the governor and other elected public officers in the executive branch of state government; and (3) the justices of the Indiana supreme court, the judges of the Indiana court of appeals, the judge of the Indiana tax court, and the judges of the circuit, superior, and county courts of Indiana. Provides that the general assembly retains authority to establish salaries by statute and to void a salary rule of the commission. Provides for the salary of public officers if the general assembly voids a salary rule of the commission or repeals a statute setting the salary of a public officer. Removes current salaries of public officers in the judicial branch from statute. Repeals current statutes setting the salaries of members of the general assembly and public officers in the executive branch. Makes certain other changes.

### **HB 1648:** (**LS 7933**) Cochran (**DI:100**) Fireworks.

Specifies that, with certain exceptions, a person may not sell, offer to sell, or use fireworks that are not approved for sale in Indiana. Removes statutory provisions that allow for the sale of fireworks that are not approved for sale in Indiana if the individual who purchases the fireworks signs an

assurance that the fireworks will be shipped out of Indiana within five days of the purchase. Makes a second conviction within five years for selling or offering to sell fireworks that are not approved for sale in Indiana a Class D felony (under current law, a first or subsequent offense is a Class A misdemeanor). Provides that a person may not sell fireworks not approved for sale in Indiana to an individual regardless of the individual's membership status in an organization.

#### HB 1649: (LS 7947) Tincher (DI:69) Central repository for controlled substances data.

Requires the state police department, with the approval of the controlled substances advisory committee, to provide for a prescription monitoring program that includes certain information to be provided to the central repository for controlled substances data each time a controlled substance designated by the advisory committee under schedule II, schedule III, or schedule IV is dispensed. Provides that the state police department, instead of the health professions bureau, or the central repository is responsible for the costs of the controlled substance prescription monitoring program. Requires the state police department, with the advice of the advisory committee, to designate a central repository for the collection of the information. (Current law requires the advisory committee to designate the central repository.) Allows the state police department, with the advice of the advisory committee, to execute a contract with a vendor designated by the state police department as the central repository. Transfers responsibility for the administration of the controlled substances

data fund from the health professions bureau to the state police department. Provides that the law concerning the central repository for controlled substances expires July 1, 2001, instead of July 1, 1999.

### HB 1650: (LS 8017) Tincher (DI:58) Food and beverage tax in second class cities.

Permits second class cities to impose a 1% food and beverage tax for urban development projects. Establishes a five member urban development board in each city adopting the tax to plan and oversee the urban development projects, subject to common council approval. Models the urban development board powers and duties on the capital improvement board law applicable to Marion County.

### HB 1651: (LS 7810) Hasler (DI:77) Youth tobacco access.

Provides for issuance by the state department of health of three types of tobacco product licenses to retailers that sell or distribute tobacco products without charge. Establishes penalties for license violations and allows the state department of health to hold a tobacco products license revocation hearing if the retailer commits certain violations. Requires that an individual must be at least 18 years of age to sell or distribute tobacco products. Requires that a retailer must obtain a license from the state department of health to sell tobacco products before January 1, 2000. Makes conforming amendments.

### HB 1652: (LS 7946) Hasler (DI:71) Workforce investment system.

Establishes the workforce investment system

(system). Provides that the system is administered by the department of workforce development under a state plan developed by the state human resource investment council. Sets forth requirements for regional boards, the one stop service delivery system, and one stop partners.

### HB 1653: (LS 7987) Hasler (DI:75) Residential landlord and tenant law.

Requires a landlord to give a tenant at least 30 days written notice before modifying the rental agreement unless a written rental agreement provides otherwise. States circumstances under which a landlord may enter a tenant's dwelling unit. Provides that a landlord may not deny a tenant access to the tenant's personal property, except under an existing statute. Provides that a landlord may not interfere with a tenant's access to or quiet enjoyment of the tenant's dwelling unit, except under a judicial order.

### HB 1654: (LS 7806) Hasler (DI:98) Comprehensive care beds.

Creates a moratorium on the addition, construction, and conversion of comprehensive care beds until July 1, 2003. Provides exceptions for comprehensive care beds that received a certificate of need under prior law or that continue construction under approved plans begun before July 1, 1999.

### HB 1655: (LS 7874) Goeglein (DI:73) Income tax deduction for medical care insurance.

Provides an individual adjusted gross income tax deduction for insurance premiums paid for medical care coverage by sole proprietors, S corporation shareholders, or partners to the extent the premiums are

not deductible under the federal Internal Revenue Code.

# HB 1656: (LS 7400) Goeglein (DI:77) Children with special health care needs commission.

Establishes the children with special health care needs commission. Requires the commission to: (1) monitor and evaluate the availability and provision of health services to special needs children, including the coordination of special needs children services between governmental agencies; (2) monitor and evaluate the services provided to special needs children under governmental programs, including the children's health insurance program; and (3) make recommendations to appropriate governmental agencies to improve the availability and provision of health and educational services to special needs children. Staggers the terms of the initial commission appointments.

#### HB 1657: (LS 7716) Goeglein (DI:100) Senior citizen supplemental prescription plan.

Creates the pharmaceutical assistance for the aged and disabled program. Allows an Indiana resident who is eligible for the program to pay a ten dollar copayment for various prescription drugs. Provides the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services with the authority to restrict the supply of prescription drugs under certain circumstances. Requires a pharmacy to provide prescription price information to the division before a pharmacy may be paid for a prescription claim. Requires the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services to submit an annual report that contains an evaluation

of the program to the general assembly. Establishes penalties for violations of the program.

### HB 1658: (LS 6762) Goeglein (DI:71) Commission for higher education.

Abolishes the commission for higher education. Transfers certain duties of the commission to other state agencies. Makes corresponding changes to related statutes.

# HB 1659: (LS 7463) Kruse (DI:92) Abolish state board of tax commissioners.

Abolishes the state board of tax commissioners, the school property tax control board, and the local government tax control board. Allocates the duties formerly performed by the state board of tax commissioners among the state board of accounts, the department of state revenue, and the county property tax control board established by this act. Establishes a new budget making process for local units of government, including school corporations. Establishes a property tax control board for each county consisting of elected officials representing each type of taxing unit. Establishes a referendum procedure allowing voters to agree or disagree with the control board's decision if either the taxing unit or a group of taxpayers petition for a referendum. Requires control board approval of all bonds and leases that will be paid from a taxing unit's debt service fund. Makes conforming amendments.

# HB 1660: (LS 7830) Lutz J (DI:94) Board of director's membership.

Prohibits a financial institution from having a person as a member of the board of

directors if that person or the person's firm holds a real estate license and performs real estate appraisals for the financial institution.

### HB 1661: (LS 7877) Smith M (DI:78) Manufactured gas product burn facilities.

Prohibits the incineration of manufactured gas product residue unless a person has a hazardous waste permit, is burning residue the person is responsible for cleaning up, or has permission from the county executive. Makes conforming changes.

### HB 1662: (LS 7660) Smith M (DI:96) Affidavits from worker's compensation coverage.

Excludes work done on owner-occupied residential property from requiring a certificate authorizing the carrying of risk without insurance. Changes the filing fee for a certificate of exemption from worker's compensation provisions for independent contractors from \$5 to \$20. Provides that an affidavit of exemption from worker's compensation for independent contractors becomes effective as of midnight seven business days after the date of receipt. Provides that a contractor who knowingly and intentionally causes or assists employees, including temporary employees, to file an affidavit of exemption commits a Class C felony.

### HB 1663: (LS 7616) Moses (DI:77) Nurse aide registry.

Adds ambulatory outpatient surgical centers, home health agencies, hospice programs, and hospitals to the health care facilities that may not employ an individual convicted of a certain crime or who has committed an act that has been entered into the state nurse

aide registry. Allows the state department of health to impose a fine not to exceed \$5,000 for a violation of a provision of the health facilities law. Requires that if a health care facility has knowledge of a court action against a health care facility employee that would indicate an unfitness to serve as a health service employee, the health care facility must report the information to the state nurse aide registry or the appropriate licensing authority. Allows the state department of health to adopt rules. Repeals a definition.

# HB 1664: (LS 7209) Dobis (DI:76) Pregnant women using illegal drugs.

Establishes maternal and newborn drug screening protocol to standardize testing of: (1) maternal patients for drug use during pregnancy; and (2) drug impaired newborns. Provides that the purpose of the drug screening protocol is to identify patients in need of special management: (1) to avoid various medical complications and developmental and nutritional deficiencies; and (2) to aid in the specific medical management of the newborn and to initiate appropriate developmental and social follow-up of the newborn. Lists factors for a physician to consider in deciding whether to order maternal or newborn drug testing. Specifies that no single indicator justifies maternal or newborn drug testing and that the decision to order the testing must be based on the physician's best medical judgment after considering the totality of the circumstances. Requires the division of family and children to do the following: (1) Develop procedures for child abuse and neglect investigations involving drug impaired fetuses and newborns. (2)

Implement a plan to establish response teams for drug impaired fetuses and newborns throughout Indiana. Provides that whenever a child abuse or neglect case involves a drug impaired fetus or newborn, the local child protection service shall require the mother of the fetus or newborn to participate in a substance abuse treatment plan. Requires the response team for drug impaired infants to meet on a regular basis to: (1) review the status of the treatment plan and the progress of the family; and (2) recommend changes, if any. Requires the local child protection service to file a child in need of services petition or refer the case to the local prosecuting attorney, or both, if the mother refuses to voluntarily cooperate with the treatment plan. Provides that a person who knows or should reasonably know that the person is pregnant and knowingly or intentionally ingests cocaine, a narcotic drug, a controlled substance, marijuana, hash oil, or hashish without a valid prescription or order commits unlawful ingestion of a controlled substance, a Class D felony. Allows a prosecuting attorney to withhold prosecution against a person accused of unlawful ingestion of a controlled substance if: (1) the person agrees to the conditions of a pretrial diversion program agreement that requires the person to undergo drug abuse treatment in an approved drug abuse treatment program; and (2) the terms of the agreement are recorded in an instrument signed by the person and the prosecuting attorney and filed in the court in which the charge is pending.

HB 1665: (LS 6465) Kruse (DI:58) Income tax credit based on years of marriage.

Provides an income tax credit for joint

income tax filers against their state income tax liability based on the length of time the joint filers have been married. The credit is equal to 1% of the taxpayer's income tax liability for each year of marriage.

# HB 1666: (LS 6422) Kruse (DI:92) Elimination of property tax controls.

Eliminates property tax rate and levy controls. Makes numerous changes related to the elimination of the property tax controls.

# HB 1667: (LS 8114) Harris (DI:101) Creation of public housing task force.

Requires the governor to establish a public housing policy task force before September 1, 1999. Requires the six-member task force to make findings and recommendations concerning "one strike policies" that are required to be included in public housing leases under federal law. (One strike policies provide that criminal activity or drug related criminal activity by a public housing resident is a ground for eviction of the resident and members of the resident's household.) Requires the task force to make: (1) findings on the impact of one strike policies on public housing residents who engage in criminal activity or drug related criminal activity and on innocent members of their households; (2) findings on the effectiveness of one strike policies in reducing criminal activity and drug related criminal activity in public housing; and (3) recommendations on legislative or administrative actions, if any, considered necessary to address the findings of the task force. Requires the task force to submit a report of its findings and recommendations

to the governor and the legislative council by August 1, 2000.

## HB 1668: (LS 7520) Yount (DI:51) Handicap parking aisles.

Makes it a Class C infraction for a vehicle without an appropriate parking permit to park in or block an access aisle for a handicapped parking space.

### HB 1669: (LS 8055) Yount (DI:69) Theft from an accident victim.

Increases the penalty for theft from a Class D felony to a Class C felony if the theft was committed while the victim was incapacitated or dead as a result of injuries suffered in a motor vehicle accident.

## HB 1670: (LS 8040) Liggett (DI:96) Lunch period requirements.

Requires an employer to give an employee a reasonable lunch period if the employee is scheduled to be on duty for six hours or more. Specifies that the provision does not affect the terms of a negotiated collective bargaining agreement or settlement agreement or negate a bona fide agreement between an employee and employer. Provides that a violation is a Class C infraction and that each time a person is in violation, the person commits a separate infraction.

# HB 1671: (LS 7710) Avery (DI:98) Family planning services.

Requires the state department of health to apply for federal family planning grants. Requires the state department of health to implement a program to award grants to

public or nonprofit private entities that provide family planning services to women in households with income that is not more than 250% of the federal poverty level. Appropriates \$2 million a year for these grants through June 30, 2004.

# HB 1672: (LS 8067) Klinker (DI:75) Purdue University trustees.

Removes the requirement that a trustee of Purdue University elected by the alumni must be a resident of Indiana.

# HB 1673: (LS 7972) Klinker (DI:98) Home health aide registry.

Requires the state department of health to include a home health aide who has successfully completed a state approved competency evaluation program in the registry of nurse aides required by federal law. Requires the state department of health to establish procedures to investigate allegations of neglect, abuse, or misappropriation of property by a home health aide and to notify the registry of nurse aides of a proven allegation. Provides that a person who is denied or dismissed from employment by a home health agency because of a criminal history does not have certain rights, including the right to sue or to collect unemployment insurance. Provides immunity to persons for denying or terminating employment of an individual with a criminal history or reporting to or participating in the proceedings of the state department of health or the registry of nurse aides.

# HB 1674: (LS 7243) Klinker (DI:2) School annual performance report.

Requires that a school corporation annual performance report must include the percentage of students absent for more than ten days and the number and percentage of students scoring above 1,000 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT).

### HB 1675: (LS 7516) Klinker (DI:44) Biomedical research fund.

Establishes the Indiana biomedical research fund for the purpose of providing grants to support biomedical research by Indiana based private researchers and faculty of Indiana colleges and universities. Establishes the Indiana biomedical research policy review board to administer the fund. Appropriates \$25,000,000 to the fund during each year of the biennium.

### HB 1676: (LS 7794) Klinker (DI:92) College savings plan grants.

Provides a grant for deposits of money into a taxpayer's Indiana family college savings trust fund for a dependent. Requires the department of state revenue to pay the grant into the individual trust account of the dependent. Provides a penalty for withdrawals from the Indiana family college savings trust fund that are not used for an allowable purpose of the fund.

### **HB 1677:** (LS 8118) Day (DI:75) Landlord and tenant law.

Establishes obligations of a landlord and a tenant under a residential rental agreement.

#### HB 1678: (LS 8085) Day (DI:98) Community mobilization grant program.

Establishes the community mobilization

matching grant program for the promotion of various child welfare issues. Appropriates \$2,500,000 for the period beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000, and \$2,500,000 for the period beginning July 1, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001, to carry out the program.

#### HB 1679: (LS 8038) Day (DI:71) Special group recognition license plates.

Exempts special group recognition license plates from the minimum sales requirements if the plates are issued to recognize one of the following: (1) Colleges and universities. (2) Military and veteran's groups.

# HB 1680: (LS 7809) Klinker (DI:100) Landscape architects.

Changes the name of the board of registration for architects to the board of registration for architects and landscape architects (the board). Changes membership of the board from eight members to nine members. Requires that members of the board who represent landscape architects be registered landscape architects and have at least ten years of active landscape architectural practice. Defines "landscape architect" and amends the current definition of "landscape architecture." Requires the state to allow the employment of a landscape architect for work within the field of landscape architecture. Makes various other amendments.

# HB 1681: (LS 6869) Klinker (DI:71) Professional development grant program.

Creates a professional development grant program, administered by the Indiana state board of education, to provide grants for public schools for professional development activities. Requires a school to develop a professional development plan to be eligible to obtain a grant. Provides criteria for plan development and the evaluation of plans. Requires the department of education to provide each public school with \$5,000 during the 1999-2000 fiscal year to develop an initial plan.

### HB 1682: (LS 7472) Klinker (DI:73) Levy appeal for fire protection districts.

Allows a fire protection district contracting with a municipality for fire protection to appeal to the state board of tax commissioners to increase the maximum permissible levy of the district to allow the district to pay a fair and reasonable amount to a municipality providing fire protection within the district. (Current law allows townships to make such an appeal.)

Reconciles conflicts enacted by the 1995 general assembly (shown in italicized type).

# HB 1683: (LS 6872) Mellinger (DI:51) Penalties for manslaughter and reckless homicide.

Increases the penalty for: (1) voluntary manslaughter from a Class B felony to a Class A felony; (2) involuntary manslaughter from a Class C felony to a Class B felony; and (3) reckless homicide from a Class C felony to a Class B felony, in cases in which the victim is less than 17 years of age or at least 60 years of age.

# HB 1684: (LS 7693) Mellinger (DI:69) Forcible felony against victims less than 13.

Allows a court to sentence a person who committed a forcible felony to an additional fixed term of imprisonment if the victim of the forcible felony was less than 13 years of age. Specifies that the court may sentence the person to an additional fixed term of imprisonment of: (1) not more than ten years if the victim was at least seven years of age but less than 13 years of age; and (2) not more than 20 years if the victim was less than seven years of age.

### HB 1685: (LS 6870) Mellinger (DI:51) Child molesting.

Increases the penalty for nonconsensual child molesting by sexual intercourse or deviate sexual conduct from a Class B felony to a Class A felony. Increases the penalty for nonconsensual child molesting by fondling or touching from a Class C felony to a Class B felony.

### HB 1686: (LS 7854) Friend (DI:78) Conservation district water program.

Establishes the clean water Indiana program and the clean water Indiana fund, both of which are administered by the division of soil conservation of the department of natural resources, subject to the direction of the soil conservation board. Describes educational, technical assistance, training, and cost sharing programs supported by the program and the fund to help land occupiers and conservation programs reduce nonpoint sources of water pollution. Provides additional funds available on a matching basis to districts that receive money from political subdivisions. Requires the division of soil conservation to submit an annual report to the executive director of the legislative services agency concerning the program and the fund. Appropriates \$20,000,000 to the clean water Indiana fund for purposes of this act.

### HB 1687: (LS 7939) Sturtz (DI:69) Public water systems and water supply systems.

Amends the definition of "public water system" for purposes of the law concerning the supplemental drinking water assistance program to include: (1) collection, treatment, storage, and distribution facilities that are under control of the operator of the public water system and used primarily in connection with the public water system; and (2) collection or pretreatment storage facilities that are not under control of the operator of the public water system and are used primarily in connection with the public water system. Amends the definition of "water supply system" for purposes of: (1) the law concerning operators of water treatment plants, wastewater treatment plants, and water distribution systems; and (2) other environmental management laws to mean the system of wells, pumps, structures, pipes, facilities, and other constructed conveyances through which water is obtained, treated as required, and supplied through a water distribution system for the provision to the public for human consumption.

### HB 1688: (LS 7641) Alderman (DI:92) Voluntary assignment of lottery prizes.

Provides that a lottery prize winner who receives prize payments in installments over time may assign the right to receive the payments under a court order. Provides that a court shall issue an order approving a voluntary assignment if the assignment is in writing and is accompanied by a sworn affidavit provided by the assigning winner.

Requires the affidavit to attest to the following: (1) That the assigning winner is of sound mind. (2) That the assigning winner has been advised by independent legal counsel. (3) That the assigning winner understands that the lottery commission has no further responsibility to make payments to the assigning winner. (4) That the assigning winner has received a disclosure statement. (5) That the assigning winner was advised of the right to cancel the contract within three business days. Provides that the assignment may not cover payments offset for delinquent child support. Provides that a person is ineligible to assign prize payments if the federal Internal Revenue Service issues a ruling holding that, based upon the right of assignment, a prize winner who does not assign a prize payment would be subject to an immediate income tax liability for the value of the entire prize rather than the annual income tax liability for each taxable year that an installment is received.

# HB 1689: (LS 8157) Robertson (DI:58) Full day kindergarten and school readiness.

Establishes a grant program for full day kindergarten and school readiness programs beginning in the 2000-2001 school year. Requires school corporations to develop a plan and submit it to the department of education and Indiana state board of education for approval before receiving a grant. Provides a \$1,500 grant per full day kindergarten pupil. Provides a school readiness program grant of \$1,200 per program enrollee. Appropriates \$185 per kindergarten ADM (1/2 ADM per pupil) to schools to cover costs in developing a school readiness plan.

### HB 1690: (LS 7748) Robertson (DI:98) Grandparent visitation rights.

Expands grandparent visitation rights to allow a grandparent to petition a court for visitation rights with a grandchild regardless of the marital status of the child's parents, unless a paternal grandparent is seeking visitation with a child born out of wedlock and the child's father has not established paternity. Expands the factors that the court may consider when determining whether the grandparent visitation is in the best interests of the child. Provides for appointment by the court of a guardian ad litem or court appointed special advocate for a child who is the subject of a proceeding for grandparent visitation.

### HB 1691: (LS 7984) Robertson (DI:100) Architect licensing.

Requires an individual who is an architect registered in another jurisdiction to meet the requirements placed on an architect who is a resident of Indiana before the individual may obtain a certificate of registration as a registered architect.

### HB 1692: (LS 6359) Brown C (DI:51) Election of judges.

Requires the election of judges in Lake County and St. Joseph County. Eliminates the Allen County judicial nominating commission, the Lake County judicial nominating commission, the St. Joseph County judicial nominating commission, and the St. Joseph County judicial qualifications commission. Continues current judges in office until the end of the judges' current terms.

# HB 1693: (LS 7288) Adams T (DI:47) Faculty member on college boards.

Requires that a member of the faculty be elected to the board of trustees of Indiana University, Purdue University, Ball State University, Indiana State University, Ivy Tech State College, Vincennes University, and the University of Southern Indiana. Specifies that the faculty trustee at each institution must be elected to a three year term beginning July 1, 2000, by the members of the faculty who hold the rank of assistant professor or higher.

# HB 1694: (LS 7999) Adams T (DI:73) Community revitalization enhancement districts.

Allows Muncie to designate an area in the city as a community revitalization enhancement district. (Current law: (1) provides a credit against certain state and local tax liability for a taxpayer that makes an investment for the redevelopment of property located in a community revitalization enhancement district; and (2) provides that the incremental amount of state and local income taxes and state sales tax collected from a community revitalization enhancement district are distributed to the district for deposit in the district's industrial development fund.)

# HB 1695: (LS 6012) Grubb (DI:94) Use of ATM and debit cards by minors.

Provides that deposits withdrawn by a minor through preauthorized direct withdrawal, automated teller machine (ATM) transactions, debit card transactions, and transfers by phone are treated in the same manner as similar deposits withdrawn by an adult.

### **HB 1696:** (LS 8057) Grubb (DI:98) Grain buyers law.

Makes the following changes to the agricultural commodities warehouse licensing law: (1) Adds popcorn and grain grown for use as seed to the definition of "grain". (2) Adds a person who buys grain to be used predominantly for seed to the definition of "grain buyer". (3) Adds a definition of "seed" to the statute. (4) Changes references in the law from minimum net worth to minimum positive net worth.

### HB 1697: (LS 7836) Kruzan (DI:78) Environmental law issues.

Requires an inspector from the department of environmental management or a designated agent of the department to provide written notice to a regulated entity 48 hours before making a routine inspection that may uncover more than one category of violations. Permits the use of Type III foundry sand in a land application operation or for soil amendments. Requires foundry sand to meet certain requirements to get and maintain Type III criteria status.

# HB 1698: (LS 6565) Porter (DI:2) Postsecondary Proprietary Education Grants.

Combines the higher education award program for students at postsecondary proprietary educational institutions with the award program for students at other institutions of higher learning. Repeals the postsecondary proprietary grant program and fund.

HB 1699: (LS 6571) Porter (DI:2) State assistance for postsecondary education

Provides that the percentage of enrolled students at colleges and universities in the state that receives higher education awards from the state student assistance commission may annually exceed, by not more than five percent, the percentage of enrolled students at eligible postsecondary proprietary institutions that receives assistance grants. Provides for the transfer of money between funds to accomplish this requirement.

#### HB 1700: (LS 7574) Cherry (DI:51) Court powers concerning parental involvement.

Allows a school corporation or special school to obtain a court order when a person having care of a dependent student fails to participate in a disciplinary proceeding or action involving the person's child. Expands the programs that a juvenile court may require a parent to attend with a child who is adjudicated a delinquent child or child in need of services. Makes related procedural changes. Specifies that a parent, guardian, or custodian of a delinquent child who fails to participate in a program of care, treatment, or rehabilitation, as ordered by the juvenile court, may be found in contempt of court.

### HB 1701: (LS 8108) Tincher (DI:87) Firefighter training.

Establishes the Indiana firefighter training and education certification program, 1988 edition, and the Indiana firefighter training and education certification program, 1996 edition. Requires the board of firefighting personnel standards and education to establish a training program and minimum training standards for certification in engineering technology.

# HB 1702: (LS 8020) Tincher (DI:71) Higher education commission.

On January 1, 2002, and every ten years thereafter, requires the commission for higher education to submit a long range plan for higher education in Indiana to the general assembly and governor. Requires the plan to be updated for each biennial budget session. Specifies issues required to be analyzed in the long range plan.

# HB 1703: (LS 7629) Cheney (DI:98) Psychological evaluation of children bringing guns to school.

Requires a school administrator or other employee to notify a local law enforcement agency if a student is or has been in possession of a firearm on school property or a school bus. Requires a child who is taken into custody for possession of a firearm on school property or a school bus to be held in detention until a detention hearing. Requires a court to order a psychological evaluation of the child by a licensed physician or clinical psychologist to determine if the child is a danger to the child or others. Requires the person conducting the evaluation to provide a report to the court before the detention hearing.

### HB 1704: (LS 8029) Kuzman (DI:98) Adoption and termination of parental rights.

Adds an attorney representing a birth mother to the list of persons allowed to serve actual notice of a potential adoption upon a putative father before the birth of a child. Provides that a putative father's implied consent to an adoption is also an implied consent to the termination of the parent-child relationship. Allows placement

of a hard to place child in a prospective adoptive home without prior approval of an Indiana agency under certain circumstances. Provides that a putative father whose consent to an adoption has been implied is not barred from establishing paternity under certain conditions. Provides that consent to the termination of the parent-child relationship is not required in certain circumstances. Provides that a person who allows for the payment of adoption related expenses under certain statutorily proscribed false pretenses commits adoption deception, a Class D felony. Requires a court to order a person who commits adoption deception to make restitution. Requires an attorney or child placing agency to inform a birth mother, or person who holds herself out to be a birth mother, of the penalties for committing adoption deception before transferring a payment for adoption related expenses.

### HB 1705: (LS 6843) Kuzman (DI:51) Reimbursement of county jail costs.

Provides that the county clerk shall collect, with the assistance of the county sheriff, the amounts due from an inmate to reimburse the county for the costs of detaining the inmate in the county jail and other related costs.

### HB 1706: (LS 7692) Kuzman (DI:76) OWI enhanced sentencing.

Provides that a person who commits the crime of: (1) operating a vehicle with at least 0.10% by weight of alcohol or a schedule I or II controlled substance in the person's blood; or (2) operating a vehicle while intoxicated, commits a Class C felony if the

crime results in serious bodily injury to at least two other persons and a Class B felony if the crime results in the death of at least two other persons. Prescribes minimum sentencing guidelines for a court to follow in alcohol related driving offenses based upon the percentage of alcohol found in the bloodstream or breath of the person who commits the offense. Allows a court to deviate from the guidelines based upon just and good cause. Requires the Indiana department of transportation to establish a program to reduce offenses related to operating a vehicle while intoxicated by persons at least 21 years of age but less than 34 years of age. Lists components for the department to include in the program.

### HB 1707: (LS 7918) Mellinger (DI:69) Habitual offenders.

Provides that, for purposes of the law concerning habitual offenders: (1) a person has accumulated two prior unrelated felony convictions after a person has been convicted of a felony committed after the person was convicted of committing a prior unrelated felony; and (2) a person is considered to have been convicted of a Class D felony even if a court enters judgment of the conviction as a Class A misdemeanor.

# HB 1708: (LS 8078) Summers (DI:98) County office of family and children.

Changes references from the county department of public welfare to the county office of family and children to reflect the correct designation of that office.

HB 1709: (LS 8079) Summers (DI:98) County office of family and children.

Changes references from the department of public welfare to the county office of family and children to reflect the correct designation of that office.

### **HB 1710:** (LS 6684) Porter (DI:2) Training in reading for elementary teachers.

Requires academic preparation in the teaching of reading and in reading techniques, including phonetic and sound processing, for a person to qualify for an elementary teacher license.

# HB 1711: (LS 7986) Moses (DI:101) Interpretive powers of state building commissioner.

Gives the office of the state building commissioner the power to issue written interpretations of building laws. Requires a written interpretation by the office of the state building commissioner to be treated as a building law until it is amended or repealed. Requires units of local government to comply with the office of the state building commissioner's written interpretations.

# HB 1712: (LS 7235) Moses (DI:78) Enforcement actions against property owner.

Limits enforcement actions under an administrative rule governing storm water runoff associated with construction activity to actions against the owner of the property. Requires the water pollution control board to amend that administrative rule not later than February 1, 2000.

### HB 1713: (LS 7088) Pelath (DI:73) Textbook funding.

Provides textbooks to students in public schools and in accredited nonpublic schools at no charge to the student's family. Establishes a parental reimbursement program as the mechanism to provide textbooks for students in accredited nonpublic schools. Abolishes the public school textbook rental program and the public school textbook library program. Abolishes the program that provides state reimbursement for textbook assistance to certain public and private school students. Redefines "textbook" to include the various kinds of instructional materials that are currently eligible for state reimbursement under the textbook assistance program. Requires a school corporation to establish a textbook fund and to appropriate money from the fund to purchase and distribute textbooks. Provides an annual state textbook grant to school corporations of \$85 per ADM (average daily membership) for deposit in the textbook account. Provides an annual appropriation of \$85 per student enrolled in an accredited nonpublic school for whom textbook reimbursement is sought. Makes conforming changes and adds transitional provisions.

# HB 1714: (LS 6487) Kuzman (DI:76) Commitment of sexually violent predators.

Provides for the civil commitment for an indeterminate period of a person who is found to be a sexually violent predator. Specifies that the purpose of the civil commitment is to provide treatment for a person with a serious mental disorder and then return the person to the community. Applies to a person who: (1) has been charged with or convicted of a Class A or Class B felony sex offense; and (2) suffers

from a mental abnormality that makes the person likely to engage in predatory acts of sexual violence if the person is not confined in a secure facility. Provides that before a person who may be a sexually violent predator may be released from confinement, the releasing authority shall inform a three member review committee consisting of two psychiatrists or psychologists and one prosecuting attorney or deputy prosecuting attorney with experience prosecuting sex offense cases that the person may be a sexually violent predator. Establishes procedures for a determination of probable cause, a hearing, and other procedural safeguards. Provides that if a person is determined by a court to be a sexually violent predator, the person must be committed to a state institution. Provides procedures for the evaluation and review of a person who is committed. Provides that the person is to be committed for the period that the person's mental abnormality exists to the extent that: (1) the person is not safe to be released back into the community; and (2) if released, the person is likely to engage in acts of sexual violence.

### HB 1715: (LS 7778) Bodiker (DI:94) Consumer credit.

Specifies that the maximum rate of interest may not be exceeded upon prepayment for the period a credit sale or loan was in effect for a simple interest transaction that includes prepaid credit service charges or finance charges. Requires a creditor to provide accurate payoff information to the debtor. Specifies that a person may not regularly engage in the business of making consumer loans unless the person is a supervised financial institution or is licensed by the

department of financial institutions. Specifies that the three month window to operate without an approved license to make consumer loans applies only to lenders taking assignment of mortgages. Adds a small loan chapter to the Uniform Consumer Credit Code. Limits the accrual of additional pawnbroker fees to one-fifth of the principal amount per month on a per day basis for loans over \$150. Makes conforming amendments.

# HB 1716: (LS 7936) Becker (DI:73) Full day kindergarten funding.

Provides that a kindergarten pupil counts as one pupil if the pupil is enrolled in a full day kindergarten program, for purposes of state distributions of regular tuition support and categorical grants and for transportation distributions to school corporations. (Current law provides that a kindergarten pupil counts as one half pupil.)

#### HB 1717: (LS 6429) Becker (DI:58) County motor vehicle excise surtax and wheel tax.

Requires the bureau of motor vehicles to issue a credit under the motor vehicle excise surtax in the same manner that credits are available under the motor vehicle excise tax. Provides that the motor vehicle excise surtax and county wheel tax are to be prorated based on the month of registration.

# HB 1718: (LS 7058) Buell (DI:51) County copayment for juvenile detention.

Repeals the authority of the department of correction to charge a county 50% of the costs of keeping a delinquent offender committed to the department. Makes a related change to the community correction

program.

### **HB 1719:** (**LS 8064**) Bauer (**DI:58**) School formula.

Adds rounding rules for all state tuition support and school general fund levy calculations.

### HB 1720: (LS 7295) Crooks (DI:73) Public school textbooks.

Requires public schools to provide textbooks to students at no charge to the students' families. Abolishes the public school textbook rental program and the public school textbook library program. Provides an annual state textbook grant to school corporations equal to \$85 per ADM for deposit in the textbook account. Defines textbook to include the various kinds of instructional materials that are currently eligible for state reimbursement under the textbook assistance program. Requires a school corporation to establish a textbook fund and to appropriate money from the fund to purchase and distribute textbooks. Makes conforming changes and includes transitional provisions.

# HB 1721: (LS 7928) Crooks (DI:75) Duties of the secretary of state.

Assigns the following duties of the secretary of state as follows: (1) Duties relating to administration of Indiana election law are assigned to the Indiana election commission or the election division. (2) Duties relating to technology enhancement, business organization laws, and trademark registration are assigned to the department of commerce. (3) Duties relating to motor club car plans and designating a resident agent

for service of process are assigned to the attorney general. (4) Duties relating to securities regulation laws, collection agencies, and the uniform commercial code are assigned to the department of financial institutions. Repeals obsolete statutes. Makes other conforming changes.

### HB 1722: (LS 8184) Mahern (DI:98) Indiana development finance authority.

Allows the Indiana development finance authority to triple its contribution to a participating lender's loan loss reserve fund if the borrower is a child care facility currently licensed by the state. Allows the Indiana development finance authority to issue bonds for the purpose of financing capital expenditures at licensed child care facilities in the state. Appropriates \$2,900,000 for July 1, 1999, to June 30, 2000, and \$2,900,000 for July 1, 2000, to June 30, 2001, to the finance authority's capital access program. Appropriates \$2,000,000 for July 1, 1999, to June 30, 2000, and \$2,000,000 for July 1, 2000, to June 30, 2001, to the finance authority for developing a debt reserve fund for issuing pooled bonds for the construction or renovation of licensed child care facilities.

### HB 1723: (LS 7708) Brown T (DI:98) Standards for abortion facilities.

Requires a first trimester abortion performed by surgical means to be performed in an ambulatory outpatient surgical center or a hospital.

### HB 1724: (LS 7479) Brown T (DI:96) Domestic violence trust license plate.

Requires the bureau of motor vehicles to

issue an Indiana domestic violence trust license plate. Requires the additional fee required for the Indiana domestic violence trust license plate to be deposited in the Indiana domestic violence trust fund and distributed to the Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

### HB 1725: (LS 7942) Crawford (DI:69) Lead-based paint activities.

Prohibits a state, a municipal corporation, a county, a municipality, a township, certain corporations, certain trusts, and certain other entities exempt from federal income taxation from being required to pay a fee established by the air pollution control board for a lead-based paint training program seeking approval of a lead-based paint training course.

# HB 1726: (LS 7501) Frenz (DI:44) Various open door and public records provisions.

Provides that the open door law and public records law apply to entities created by a public agency to take official action on public business. Provides that, under certain conditions, the open door law applies to a series of gatherings of the members of a governing body with less than a quorum of members present at each gathering. Permits public agencies to give the media notice of public meetings by facsimile machine. Deletes the continuous session and administrative functions exceptions to the requirement for notice of public meetings. Specifies that the deliberative materials exception to disclosure does not apply to records or parts of records that are statistical or factual tabulations or data or final agency policy or determinations. Provides that a

public agency must provide certain information concerning a suspected crime, accident, or complaint even if the public agency has failed to create a log or record listing such crimes, accidents, or complaints. Requires a public agency to make records available for inspection and copying in an expeditious manner. Requires emergency ambulance services to disclose certain information concerning ambulance runs. Requires the state department of health to release certain inspection reports and related records.

### HB 1727: (LS 8046) Frenz (DI:69) Enforcement of environmental laws.

Requires money collected as certain environmental civil penalties to be deposited in the state general fund instead of being credited to the environmental management special fund. Requires: (1) the department of environmental management to determine if the possible violation of an environmental law is a minor violation that may be corrected under the law concerning minor violations; and (2) the commissioner of the department to issue written findings of fact that show why a violation may not be corrected under the law concerning minor violations before the department may take any enforcement action against the alleged violator. Prohibits the department of environmental management from releasing any information to the public concerning an alleged environmental violation or any enforcement action to be taken to correct an alleged environmental violation until the alleged violator has been: (1) notified of the alleged violation; and (2) given a reasonable opportunity to respond to the notification. Provides that, in determining the amount of

a civil penalty to assess against a person who violates environmental laws, the person who imposes the penalty must consider: (1) the violator's history of previous violations of environmental laws; (2) the seriousness of the violation, including any irreparable harm to the environment and hazard to the health and safety of the public; and (3) the demonstrated good faith of the violator to achieve rapid compliance after notification of the violation.

# HB 1728: (LS 7388) Kersey (DI:94) Disabled from trade compensation.

Creates disabled from trade compensation. Provides that an employee who: (1) has an injury that results in a temporary total disability or a permanent partial impairment; (2) is capable of performing work with limitations or restrictions that prevents the employee from returning to the position the employee held before the employee's injury; and (3) returns to work, may receive compensation for the difference in average weekly earnings lost. Limits disabled from trade compensation to 52 consecutive weeks or 78 aggregate weeks. Provides a cap of \$762 per week for disabled from trade compensation. Makes a conforming amendment.

# HB 1729: (LS 7215) Munson (DI:87) County housing authority commissioners.

Requires the county executive to appoint three commissioners of the county housing authority and the county fiscal body to appoint two members of the county housing authority. (Current law requires the county fiscal body to appoint all five members of the county housing authority.) Provides that a person appointed to be a commissioner of a county housing authority before July 1, 1999, may serve the remainder of the person's term.

#### HB 1730: (LS 7269) Munson (DI:51) Uniform Enforcement of Foreign Judgments Act.

Adopts the Uniform Enforcement of Foreign Judgments Act created by the National Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.

# HB 1731: (LS 7208) Munson (DI:98) Detention of juvenile offenders.

Specifies that a juvenile detention facility must be certified by the department of correction to accept juveniles.

## HB 1732: (LS 7697) Munson (DI:69) Delaware County courts.

Establishes a unified court for Delaware County by combining the current Delaware circuit court and the four Delaware superior courts into a unified circuit court with five judges. Specifies that the superior court judges serving on June 30, 1999, serve as judges of the unified Delaware circuit court. Specifies that the current Delaware circuit court judge serves as the first presiding judge of the unified court.

# HB 1733: (LS 7077) Munson (DI:76) Withheld conviction and community supervision.

Allows a court to receive a plea of guilty and, without entering a judgment of conviction, defer further proceedings and place the defendant on community supervision. Allows the court to withhold the entry of judgment of conviction if the court believes that the best interests of

society and the defendant are likely to be served. Prohibits a court from withholding judgment of conviction if the defendant commits murder, a Class A or Class B felony, a violent crime, or a sex offense, has a previous conviction of an offense, or has had a previous judgment of conviction withheld or the local prosecuting attorney does not consent. Specifies numerous conditions of community supervision, which may include various rehabilitative options such as community service, placement in a community corrections program, inpatient or outpatient mental health treatment, and the payment of restitution. Provides that upon a violation of the conditions of community supervision, the court may modify or revoke the community supervision. Provides that if the court revokes the community supervision, the court may enter judgment of conviction and continue the proceedings as if the judgment of conviction had not been withheld. Provides that, upon the expiration of a community supervision period, if the court has not proceeded to enter a judgment of conviction, the court shall dismiss the proceedings against the defendant and discharge the defendant. Prescribes guidelines for implementing the community supervision program to be operated by the probation department.

#### HB 1734: (LS 6993) Welch (DI:77) Pharmacist's conscience clause.

Provides that a pharmacist is not required to perform an act or to refrain from performing an act that the pharmacist objects to on the basis of: (1) professional duty; or (2) a matter of conscience on ethical, moral, or religious grounds. Provides that a pharmacist's refusal to act or to refrain from

performing an act may not be used as the basis for the following: (1) A claim for damages against the pharmacist or the pharmacy where the pharmacist works. (2) A disciplinary, recriminatory, or discriminatory action against the pharmacist.

### HB 1735: (LS 7980) Welch (DI:101) Pharmacy law.

Eliminates the following requirements: (1) That prescriptions transmitted to a pharmacist from a practitioner by means other than a written order must be immediately reduced to writing by the pharmacist. (2) That not more than four members of the Indiana board of pharmacy may be from the same political party. (3) That one member of the board must be a practicing hospital pharmacist. Eliminates the requirement that a pharmacist must be actively practicing in order to serve on the board, and requires only that the pharmacist hold a current license to practice in Indiana. Prohibits a person employed as a full-time staff member or as a professor at a school of pharmacy from serving on the board. Requires the governor to appoint to the board pharmacists from varied practice settings. Allows a person who has obtained a general educational development (GED) diploma to apply for registration as a pharmacist intern or pharmacist extern. Amends structural requirements concerning security and counter size for pharmacies. Requires that all record keeping requirements for pharmacists be consistent with federal law, including requirements concerning the length of time records must be kept.

HB 1736: (LS 6662) Welch (DI:44)

#### Increase homestead credit.

Increases the percentage of the homestead credit to 20%. (Under current law, the percentage of the homestead credit is 10% through 2001 and 4% in 2002 and thereafter.)

#### HB 1737: (LS 7902) Welch (DI:101) Licensure of midwives.

Establishes the Indiana midwifery board. Sets qualifications for a licensed certified professional midwife (CPM) including completion of the CPM credentialing process as administered by the North American Registry of Midwives. Allows for apprenticeship licensing. Makes it a Class B misdemeanor to practice midwifery without a license. Provides the required elements of informed disclosure that a licensed CPM must provide to a potential client before the midwife accepts the client for midwifery care. Requires a licensed CPM to have a written collaborative plan of treatment with a licensed physician to provide services to at-risk clients. Provides that an individual is entitled to give birth in the presence of and receive assistance during the birth process from a midwife. Requires the office of Medicaid policy and planning and the office of the secretary of family and social services to adopt rules providing for Medicaid reimbursement for licensed CPMs. Requires the Indiana midwifery board and the department of insurance to adopt rules providing for insurance and third party payor reimbursement for licensed CPMs. Makes conforming amendments.

HB 1738: (LS 7952) Welch (DI:69) Arrest and detention.

Provides that if a person is arrested for allegedly committing a forcible felony or a misdemeanor that results in bodily injury to another person and the victim of the felony or misdemeanor: (1) is an emancipated minor or a person who is at least 16 years of age; and (2) is or was a spouse of, is or was living as if a spouse of, is related by blood or marriage to, has at least one child in common with, or resides or has resided in the same residence as the person who allegedly committed the felony or misdemeanor, the person who allegedly committed the felony or misdemeanor must be detained in the custody of a law enforcement agency for 24 hours. Allows the person to be detained for more than 24 hours but not more than 48 hours if the end of the 24 hour period falls on a Sunday.

# HB 1739: (LS 7370) Welch (DI:2) Twenty-first century scholars for the homeschooled.

Provides that students who participate in homebased instruction are eligible to participate in the twenty-first century scholars program.

# HB 1740: (LS 7898) Welch (DI:98) Medicaid disability.

Amends the Medicaid definition of disabled person to include a person who has a physical or mental impairment, disease, or loss that appears reasonably certain to result in death or that has lasted or appears reasonably certain to last for a continuous period of at least 12 months without significant improvement. (Current law requires that the impairment continue throughout the lifetime of the individual.)

# HB 1741: (LS 7087) Welch (DI:47) Diet pill prescriptions by advanced practice nurses.

Specifies that an advanced practice nurse granted authority to prescribe legend drugs may prescribe certain weight loss drugs under the same conditions that a physician can prescribe the weight loss drugs.

#### HB 1742: (LS 6710) Welch (DI:96) Blood alcohol level.

Reduces from 0.10% to 0.08% the percentage of alcohol by weight in a person's blood or breath that is necessary to constitute prima facie evidence of intoxication in a prosecution for operating a motor vehicle or watercraft while intoxicated. Reduces the range of the percentage of alcohol by weight in a person's blood or breath to at least 0.05% but less than 0.08% that is necessary to constitute relevant evidence of intoxication in a prosecution for operating a motor vehicle or watercraft while intoxicated. (Current law provides that the range for relevant evidence of intoxication is at least 0.05% but less than 0.10%.) Makes conforming amendments.

#### HB 1743: (LS 7966) Kruzan (DI:94) Billboard restrictions.

Prohibits tobacco billboards adjacent to streets, roads, and highways. Imposes penalties.

# HB 1744: (LS 8086) Avery (DI:87) Pre-planning fire inspections.

Provides that a paid fire department or a volunteer fire company may make a pre-planning inspection for the purpose of advising the department or company on issues affecting fire suppression response. Provides that the fire department or volunteer fire company shall be allowed entry and access for the purpose of making a pre-planning inspection.

### HB 1745: (LS 8007) Dickinson (DI:98) Emergency closure of child care facilities.

Allows the division of family and children to issue an order for emergency closure of a child care center, a child care home, a child care ministry, and a child caring institution. Provides for administrative review upon request. Requires the division to report the issuance of an order for emergency closure to the attorney general, the county office of family and children attorney, and the local prosecuting attorney. Changes references to "county department of public welfare" to "county office of family and children" to reflect the correct name of that office.

#### HB 1746: (LS 7554) Dickinson (DI:76) Sex offender residence restrictions.

Provides that as a condition of probation or parole, certain sex and violent offenders are prohibited from residing within 4,000 feet of school property.

#### HB 1747: (LS 8148) Dickinson (DI:76) Domestic violence.

Increases the marriage certificate fee from \$8 to \$30 for Indiana residents and from \$50 to \$75 for nonresidents. Requires additional amounts that are collected as a result of the fee increases to be deposited in the family violence and victim assistance fund. Provides that a person against whom a protective order has been issued is

prohibited from possessing a firearm during the period that the person is under the protective order if the court finds that the person poses a credible threat to another person. Requires the court to notify the state police department of all protective orders that prohibit a person from possessing a firearm. Provides for the transfer and disposition of firearms under these circumstances. Enumerates duties of a law enforcement officer whenever the officer responds to an allegation of domestic violence. Raises the penalty for battery from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class D felony if the offense is witnessed or heard by a: (1) minor child or stepchild; or (2) minor child residing within the household of the victim or of the person who commits the offense. Allows a court to consider it an aggravating circumstance for sentencing purposes that a person committed a violent offense that was witnessed or heard by a: (1) minor child or stepchild; or (2) minor child residing in the household of the victim or of the person who commits the offense.

# HB 1748: (LS 7179) Buell (DI:92) Tax overpayments in economic revitalization areas.

Provides that a designating body in an economic revitalization area may, by resolution, extend the time period for which a property owner is entitled to an assessed value deduction for overpayments of property taxes during the period in which the property owner was entitled to a deduction.

# HB 1749: (LS 7576) Porter (DI:75) University contracting practices.

Requires state educational institutions to analyze their purchasing, construction, and contracting practices relating to minority business enterprises, small business enterprises, and women's business enterprises. Requires each state educational institution to file a written report of the analysis with the legislative council.

### HB 1750: (LS 8140) Porter (DI:2) School accountability.

Provides that a school may be accredited by meeting the criteria for the Malcolm Baldridge National Quality Award for Education rather than under performance based accreditation. Establishes the education roundtable as a permanent advisory body and working group to make recommendations to the Indiana state board of education on a variety of subjects. Transfers the duties of the state standards task force to the education roundtable. Adds additional benchmarks and indicators of performance to the school corporation annual performance report. Establishes a school accountability program for targeted and continuous school improvement. Requires each school and school corporation to develop an annual strategic and continuous school improvement plan. Requires the department of education to use a school corporation's annual performance report to assess the improvement of each school in the school corporation. Requires the Indiana state board of education to develop categories of school improvement and place each school in a category. Provides a series of interventions for schools that do not show improvement based on the number of years that improvement is not demonstrated. Provides for creation of a system of recognition and financial awards for schools that demonstrate improvement.

Requires the Indiana state board of education to obtain an independent evaluation of all state education programs and policies that includes recommendations for improvement or restructuring. Repeals the state standards task force law. Repeals a statute under the performance based accreditation law that requires the development of a level of expected performance for each school in light of the school's socioeconomic factors. Appropriates money to the department of education for staff training and to the Indiana state board of education for operational expenses of the board and the education roundtable.

# HB 1751: (LS 7345) Bottorff (DI:44) Cigarettes packaged for export.

Prohibits a person from importing cigarettes that violate federal requirements for the placement of labels, warnings, or other information on individual packages of cigarettes that are packaged for sale in the United States. Prohibits a person from placing a tax stamp on a package of cigarettes, cigarette papers, wrappers, or tubes unless the package complies with all federal tax laws, federal trademark and copyright laws, and all federal laws regarding the placement of labels, warnings, or other information upon a package of cigarettes, cigarette papers, wrappers, or tubes. Establishes penalties for violations of these provisions.

# HB 1752: (LS 7511) Bottorff (DI:92) Certified capital companies.

Permits the formation of certified capital companies. Allows certified capital

companies to invest in certain Indiana businesses. Allows insurance companies that invest in certified capital companies to claim a credit against the insurance premiums tax. Provides that the credit is equal to the amount of the insurance company's investment in a certified capital company, but allows the insurance company to take only 10% of the allowed credit in a particular taxable year.

#### HB 1753: (LS 7955) Crawford (DI:98) Indiana family development network.

Establishes the Indiana family development network as a three year pilot project to be administered by the division of family and children. Provides that the network is to assist households with annual income of not more than 200% of the federal poverty level gain access to a variety of social services and assistance programs. Requires the division of family and children to select community action agencies to provide services. Requires the division of family and children to report to the legislative council by December 1, 2001, regarding the effect of the network. Requires the division of family and children to expend \$7.5 million dollars of the funds appropriated for temporary assistance to needy families to administer the network from July 1, 1999, to June 30, 2002.

#### HB 1754: (LS 8099) Crosby (DI:73) Local option assessment.

Provides that Putnam County may impose an assessment of not more than \$0.25 per ton of stone sold by a quarry located in the county. Provides that the county may use the assessment revenue only for the purposes of

constructing, reconstructing, repairing, or maintaining roads, bridges, and culverts.

# HB 1755: (LS 8116) Budak (DI:101) Occupational licensing.

Provides that a board that regulates occupations or professions may deny licensure to an applicant who has had disciplinary action taken against the applicant or the applicant's license in another jurisdiction or who has practiced without a license in violation of the law. Provides that an auctioneer who seeks to reinstate an inactive auctioneer license must complete the continuing education requirement for the most recent licensure period during which the license was active. Provides that continuing education hours completed to reinstate an inactive auctioneer license may not also be applied toward the next licensure period. Changes the application requirements for the following: cosmetology school licenses, esthetics instructor licenses. electrology instructor licenses, cosmetologist licenses, manicurist licenses, shampoo operator licenses, and esthetician licenses. Provides that if a student in a cosmetology school presents to the school a valid license issued by the state board of cosmetology examiners, the school shall provide credit toward the student's current program for the hours formerly completed in a cosmetology school in specified subjects. Voids an administrative rule that provides that hours obtained in one course at a cosmetology school may not be credited toward another course. Provides that the required sign at the entrance of a salon must indicate that the establishment is licensed as one of the following: a cosmetology salon, an electrology salon, a manicuring salon, or an

esthetic salon. Allows a manicurist to operate a mobile salon from which the manicurist serves customers at the customers' homes or businesses, if the manicurist maintains a permanent base where the manicurist stores and sanitizes the salon's equipment. Prohibits a cosmetology professional from using products containing methyl methacrylate (MMA). Provides that a cosmetology professional who uses products containing MMA is subject to disciplinary sanctions. Changes the registration fee for a land surveyor from a minimum of \$50 to a maximum of \$50.

# HB 1756: (LS 8113) Crosby (DI:77) Child intervention program.

Provides for the division of mental health to offer grants to local units of government to establish local programs responsible for developing a coordinated, family centered, community based system of services for children with serious emotional disturbances and their families. Makes an appropriation.

### HB 1757: (LS 7867) Lytle (DI:100) Cemetery perpetual care funds.

Provides that 50% of any appreciation of the principal of a cemetery perpetual care fund may be annually withdrawn within 45 days after the end of the fund's fiscal year. Provides that any income earned by the fund during the fiscal year may be withdrawn quarterly. Provides that only under certain circumstances may the cemetery perpetual care fund be subject to attachment by a creditor. Provides that the cemetery perpetual care fund may be additionally funded by payments received from transferred cemetery property.

# HB 1758: (LS 7662) Lytle (DI:92) Prepaid funeral services.

Makes various amendments to provisions concerning the payment of funeral expenses, burial services, or merchandise in advance of need.

#### HB 1759: (LS 7165) Lytle (DI:58) Tobacco settlement funds.

Appropriates from the tobacco lawsuit settlement \$20,000,000 for each of the next 25 years to the department of agriculture to make grants to develop new farm commodities in tobacco producing counties or to subsidize tobacco farmers for losses due to reduced tobacco production.

#### **HB 1760:** (LS 7119) Frizzell (DI:69) Bail bonds.

Specifies that a bail bond may be written only by an insurer. Provides that if a bail bond is secured by real estate, the tax value of the real estate (less encumbrances) must be at least equal to two times the amount of bail. Provides that a defendant who is charged with a nonviolent misdemeanor or nonviolent Class D felony and has resided continuously for the preceding five years in the county where the defendant is being charged or in a contiguous county may be required to post a cash deposit equal to an amount not less than the greater of: (1) \$50; or (2) 10% of the amount of the bail instead of a bail bond. Provides that a defendant who: (1) is charged with a violent misdemeanor, a violent Class D felony, or any other felony or murder; or (2) has not resided continuously for the preceding five years in the county where the defendant is being charged or in a contiguous county may be required to execute a bond secured by real estate, post a cash deposit, or execute a bail bond in an amount equal to 25% of the amount of the bail.

#### HB 1761: (LS 8105) Kruzan (DI:92) Holocaust survivors settlement.

Exempts from the Indiana individual adjusted gross income tax amounts received as a Holocaust settlement payment and included in an individual's adjusted gross income for federal income tax purposes. Excludes a Holocaust victim's settlement payment from the eligibility considerations of the following programs: (1) AFDC. (2) Supplemental assistance for the blind, aged, and disabled. (3) Township poor relief. (4) Hospital care for the indigent. (5) Destitute children. (6) Medicaid. (7) Residential care assistance. (8) Energy assistance.

# HB 1762: (LS 7461) Kruzan (DI:44) Tax abatement; research and development incentives.

Provides that property tax abatement deductions may be granted for any number of years less than or equal to ten years. (Current law limits the abatement deduction to three, six, or ten years for real property and five or ten years for personal property.) Provides that certain research and development equipment is eligible for property tax abatement deductions. Allows the abatement deduction for research and development equipment only if the equipment is used in a research and development facility engaged in activities devoted directly and exclusively to experimental or laboratory research and development for new products, new uses of existing products, or the improvement or

testing of existing products. Provides an exemption from sales and use tax for research and development equipment and for property and utility services consumed in research and development. Modifies the research expense tax credit against gross income taxes and adjusted gross income taxes to equal the taxpayer's Indiana qualified research expenses rather than the lesser of its Indiana qualified research expenses or its apportioned research expenses for the year. Makes the research expense tax credit permanent by eliminating its expiration date.

# HB 1763: (LS 6393) Behning (DI:94) Guilford Township library board.

Provides for the election of library board members in Guilford Township of Hendricks County. Provides that three board members are elected in one general election and four board members are elected in the next general election. Allows board members serving on July 1, 1999, to serve until January 1 following the general election on November 7, 2000. Provides for the appointment or reappointment of an individual as a member if a library board member's term expires after July 1, 1999, and before January 1, 2001. Provides that the library board is initially elected at the general election held on November 7, 2000. Provides that the three elected members receiving the highest number of votes shall initially serve a term of four years, and the remaining four elected members shall initially serve a term of two years. Requires that after the initial election, the election of members is staggered between general elections.

#### HB 1764: (LS 7123) Mahern (DI:87) Solid waste funds.

Adds mowing services to the operation costs that may be paid by a tax levied by the Indianapolis board of public works on the solid waste special service district.

#### **HB 1765:** (LS 7127) Harris (DI:58) Sales tax refunds.

Allows a deduction from sales taxes due for receivables of an entity that is a member of the same brother-sister controlled group as the retail merchant.

#### HB 1766: (LS 7820) Sturtz (DI:51) Misdemeanant funds; custody of misdemeanants.

Establishes a county misdemeanant fund in each county. Provides a formula for the distribution of money to each county for deposit in the county misdemeanant fund. Repeals provisions requiring: (1) the department of correction to pay a per diem to counties for certain misdemeanants confined in a county jail; (2) a county legislative body to establish a county corrections fund; and (3) a county legislative body to make an election concerning the level of funding that the county will receive from the state for local correctional facilities. Makes other related changes.

#### HB 1767: (LS 7886) Sturtz (DI:100) No sales solicitation listing.

Requires the consumer protection division of the office of the attorney general to publish a listing of telephone numbers of persons who do not wish to be solicited by telephone. Establishes a \$10 initial listing charge for a person who wishes to be

included in the listing, and a \$5 annual renewal fee. Prohibits a telephone solicitor from calling a number that appears in the quarterly listing published by the division. Requires a telephone solicitor who makes an unsolicited telephone call to state the solicitor's name and business immediately upon telephone contact with a consumer. Establishes other requirements that a telephone solicitor must meet before a contract made under a telephone sales call is valid. Prohibits the use of an automated dialing system or a recorded message by a telephone solicitor except under specific circumstances. Establishes penalties for violations.

# HB 1768: (LS 7761) Sturtz (DI:87) Law enforcement assistance funding.

Provides that a law enforcement agency may receive a supplemental grant from the law enforcement assistance fund under this section to assist in paying the salary or other expenses of a law enforcement officer added to the agency with a grant from the law enforcement fund. Establishes the law enforcement assistance program to provide money to assist agencies in paying for extraordinary expenses resulting from criminal conduct and assisting agencies to fund strike forces to address a high rate of crime. Establishes a law enforcement assistance fee of \$10 to be deposited in the fund after it is collected from a person: (1) convicted of a felony or misdemeanor; (2) who has a judgment for a violation constituting an infraction or a violation of an ordinance of a municipal corporation that involves a moving traffic offense; and (3) adjudicated a delinquent child for committing an act that would be a crime if

committed by an adult.

### HB 1769: (LS 8069) Crawford (DI:87) Housing preservation and substance removal.

Provides that before the owner of a federally insured or assisted housing development sells the development, converts the development into condominiums, or takes certain other actions that would result in termination of federal assistance to the development, certain preferred purchasers must be given an opportunity to purchase the property and maintain the property as a federally assisted development. Provides that the preferred purchasers are the tenant association of the development, the Indiana housing finance authority, the housing authority for the municipality in which the development is located, and the municipality in which the development is located. Requires the Indiana housing finance authority to implement the statutes preserving federally insured or assisted housing developments. Allows the Indiana housing finance authority to provide financial assistance in the form of grants, loans, or a combination of grants and loans to individuals and developers for the abatement of asbestos, asbestos containing materials, and lead-based paint from residential dwelling units. Appropriates \$1,000,000 per year for the biennium beginning July 1, 1999, to implement the provisions concerning providing financial assistance for abatement of asbestos, asbestos containing materials, and lead-based paint from residential dwelling units.

HB 1770: (LS 8173) Crawford (DI:69) Sentencing policy study committee.

Establishes the 11 member sentencing policy study committee to evaluate sentencing laws and policies in Indiana as they relate to: (1) the purposes of the criminal justice and corrections systems; (2) the availability of sentencing options; and (3) the inmate population in department of correction facilities.

# HB 1771: (LS 7628) Crawford (DI:75) University contracting practices.

Requires state educational institutions to analyze their purchasing, construction, and contracting practices relating to minority business enterprises and women's business enterprises. Requires each state educational institution to file a written report of the analysis with the legislative council.

## HB 1772: (LS 7690) Crawford (DI:75) State contracting practices.

Requires the governor's commission on minority business development to adopt as a goal that 7% of state contracts be awarded to minority business enterprises and that 5% of state contracts be awarded to women's business enterprises. (Under current law the commission is required to adopt as a goal that 5% of state contracts be awarded to minority business enterprises.) Requires the Indiana department of administration to conduct a biennial study to determine whether during the previously concluded state fiscal biennium the goals have been met. Requires the department to adopt rules to require that not fewer than 7% of state contracts be awarded to minority business enterprises and not fewer than 5% of state contracts be awarded to women's business enterprises if the goals have not been met.

Requires the department to determine in the first study whether minority business enterprises and women's business enterprises have historically been excluded from the award of state contracts.

#### HB 1773: (LS 8158) Crawford (DI:88) Children's health insurance program.

Establishes the children's health insurance program within the office of the secretary of family and social services to provide health insurance coverage to uninsured children. Establishes the children's health policy board to coordinate aspects of existing children's health programs. Provides that an individual who is less than 19 years old and who is a member of a family with an annual income that is less than 150% of the federal income poverty level is eligible for Medicaid. Requires the children's health insurance program to use certain aspects of the infrastructure used by the Medicaid managed care program for children to the greatest extent possible. Provides eligibility requirements that a child and the child's family must meet in order to enroll in the program. Provides that providers enrolled under the Medicaid program and providers enrolled under the children's health insurance program are considered providers for both programs. Makes conforming changes.

### HB 1774: (LS 7929) Crawford (DI:44) Audits of Riley Hospital.

Provides that an Indiana public interest nonprofit corporation to which the board of trustees of Indiana University, with the approval of the governor, delegates authority to manage and operate the James Whitcomb Riley Hospital for Children is not subject to an audit by the state board of accounts.

## HB 1775: (LS 7234) Welch (DI:2) Funding public and nonpublic school textbooks.

Abolishes the public school textbook rental program and the public school textbook library program. Provides textbooks for students in accredited nonpublic schools through a parental reimbursement program. Redefines textbook to include the various kinds of instructional materials that are currently eligible for state reimbursement under the textbook assistance program. Requires a school corporation to establish a textbook fund and to appropriate money from the fund to purchase and distribute textbooks. Provides an annual state textbook grant and appropriation to school corporations of \$85 per ADM for deposit in the textbook fund. Appropriates money for an \$85 per student textbook reimbursement to parents of students in accredited nonpublic schools. Makes conforming changes and transitional provisions.

## HB 1776: (LS 8166) Welch (DI:71) Child bicycle safety.

Requires a person who is less than 16 years of age to wear a properly fitted protective bicycle helmet when the person operates or is a passenger on a bicycle on a street, highway, or public bicycle path. Provides that a passenger on a bicycle must be either on a saddle seat or in a restraining seat. Prohibits the rental, lease, or sale of a bicycle to or for the use of a person who is less than 16 years of age unless the person shows possession of a properly fitted protective helmet or acquires a properly

fitted bicycle helmet at the time of the rental, lease, or sale. Provides that a violation is a Class C infraction, the penalty for which is waived if the person acquires a protective helmet or restraining seat when ordered to do so by a court.

### HB 1777: (LS 8127) Welch (DI:58) Increases property tax deduction for seniors.

Increases the assessed value deduction for the elderly from \$1,000 to \$5,000. Limits the deduction to one-half the assessed value of the real property. Increases the income level to qualify for the deduction from \$20,000 to \$35,000.

### HB 1778: (LS 8149) Welch (DI:71) Reading diagnostic assessments.

Establishes the reading diagnostic and remediation program and fund. Provides that the program and fund are administered by the department of education. Provides that a grade 1 or grade 2 student who is selected by the student's teacher because of difficulty in reading will be assessed, and, if determined to be lacking in reading skills, will have an individualized reading instruction plan prepared for the student. Provides that the student's school tracks the student's performance after remediation. Provides that a school may receive diagnostic and remediation grants from the fund. Appropriates \$8,280,000 from the state general fund for the reading diagnostic assessment and remediation fund.

# HB 1779: (LS 7859) Whetstone (DI:58) Township fire department levies.

Provides for a one time recomputation of township firefighting levies for 2000.

#### HB 1780: (LS 7932) Whetstone (DI:2) School facilities standardized plans.

Requires the department of education to develop and make available to school corporations standardized plans for new school facilities that are ready to be bid for construction. Requires a school corporation that proposes to build a new facility to determine whether a standardized plan meets the needs of the school corporation. Requires a school corporation that wishes to build a school facility that differs from a standardized plan to give notice of this determination and, upon petition by registered voters, submit the question of the construction of the facility to a referendum.

# HB 1781: (LS 8111) Whetstone (DI:69) Solid waste disposal in Marion County.

Requires a final disposal facility, except an incinerator, located in a county having a consolidated city to collect the state solid waste management fee even if the legislative body of the county has not elected by ordinance to participate in the rules, ordinances, and governmental structures under the law concerning solid waste management districts. Imposes a fee on the disposal of solid waste in a final disposal facility, except an incinerator, located in a county having a consolidated city of \$1 for each ton of solid waste disposed of in the final disposal facility even if the legislative body of the county has not elected by ordinance to participate in the rules, ordinances, and governmental structures under the law concerning solid waste management districts. Provides that the fees collected must be used to fund programs concerning: (1) recycling and the use of

recycled materials; (2) waste reduction; and (3) management of yard waste.

# HB 1782: (LS 8096) Whetstone (DI:100) Liens against grain assets.

Provides that prior written notice of a security interest in grain owned or stored by a person who operates a grain warehouse or conducts business as a grain buyer (licensee) constitutes a lien that attaches in favor of a lender or other claimant who provides the prior written notice. Requires a licensee who has prior written notice of a security interest in the grain to issue a receipt for grain stored by the licensee to both the person who delivered the grain stored by the licensee and the secured parties from whom the licensee received prior written notice of a security interest. Specifies how the director of the Indiana grain buyers and warehouse licensing agency shall pay the proceeds of grain assets. Specifies the manner of compensation for a claimant who has incurred a financial loss or storage loss due to a failure of a grain buyer or warehouseman.

#### HB 1783: (LS 7822) Atterholt (DI:76) Domestic violence in the presence of child.

Raises the penalty for battery from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class D felony if the offense is witnessed or heard by: (1) a minor child or stepchild; or (2) a minor child residing within the household of the victim or of the person who commits the offense. Allows a court to consider it an aggravating circumstance for sentencing purposes that a person committed a violent offense that was witnessed or heard by a: (1) minor child or stepchild; or (2) minor child residing in the

household of the victim or of the person who commits the offense.

## HB 1784: (LS 7338) Villalpando (DI:96) Indiana child protection trust license plate.

Requires the bureau to issue an Indiana child protection trust license plate. Requires the additional fee required for the Indiana child protection trust license plate to be deposited in the Indiana child protection trust fund and distributed to an organization established to raise funds for various charitable organizations.

#### HB 1785: (LS 6917) Liggett (DI:87) State merit employment.

Amends the policies and purposes of the state personnel act by adopting the current federal standards for merit systems of personnel administration. Provides that classified service vacancies shall be filled by means approved by the state personnel director in accordance with merit system principles. Repeals provisions that require the state personnel director to administer tests and certify eligible lists. Retains preference for military veterans. Reconciles language on disqualification of applicants with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act. Makes conforming and other technical amendments.

#### HB 1786: (LS 7869) Liggett (DI:75) Government ethics.

Provides that the state ethics commission has jurisdiction over local officers and employees. Adds two members to the commission and requires at least two commission members to have knowledge of the operation of political subdivisions.

Provides that the criminal conflict of interest statute applies to grants and loans made by a governmental entity under certain circumstances.

## HB 1787: (LS 6970) Liggett (DI:73) Economic development incentives.

Allows a person to file a complaint with an entity that awarded an economic development incentive alleging that the recipient of the incentive has not complied with the wage and benefit levels that the recipient proposed or promised in order to obtain the incentive. Requires the entity that awarded the incentive to hold a public hearing and issue a written finding on the complaint. Provides that if the entity that awarded the incentive determines that the recipient of the incentive has not complied, the recipient forfeits the incentive unless the entity finds that the recipient was unable to comply because of the recipient's: (1) filing for bankruptcy; or (2) financial circumstances that reasonably prevented the recipient from complying.

# HB 1788: (LS 7915) Liggett (DI:96) Unemployment insurance revisions.

Changes the base period for computation of unemployment benefits to the last four completed calendar quarters. (Current law provides that the base period for computation of unemployment benefits is the first four of the last five calendar quarters.) Increases the earnings base used to compute unemployment compensation to a maximum of \$10,000 in a calendar quarter. (Current law provides that the earnings base used to compute unemployment compensation may not exceed \$5,800.)

Provides that the maximum total amount of unemployment compensation benefits payable to an individual during any benefit period may not exceed 26 times the individual's weekly benefit, or 32% of the individual's wage credits with respect to the individual's base period, whichever is less. (Current law provides that the maximum total amount of unemployment compensation benefits payable to an individual during any benefit period may not exceed 26 times the individual's weekly benefit, or 28% of the individual's wage credits with respect to the individual's base period, whichever is less.) Decreases the minimum wage credit necessary to qualify for unemployment compensation to \$2,000 in the base period, and requires the total wage credits in the base period to equal at least 1.25 times the wages paid in the highest quarter. (Current law requires \$2,750 in the base period with \$1,650 in the last two quarters of the base period, and requires the total wage credits in the base period to equal or exceed 1.25 times the wages in the highest quarter.)

#### HB 1789: (LS 8182) Kruzan (DI:73) Motor carrier fuel taxes.

Provides that a motor carrier is entitled to a credit against the motor carrier fuel tax for motor fuel used to propel equipment mounted on a motor vehicle that has a common reservoir for locomotion and for the operation of the equipment. Provides that the credit applies to motor fuel used to propel the equipment within Indiana and outside Indiana. Requires a motor carrier to obtain certification from the department of state revenue before the motor carrier may claim the credit. Requires a motor carrier to

file a claim for the credit with the motor carrier's quarterly return. Provides that the department of state revenue may approve only \$4,000,000 of credits in a state fiscal year.

# HB 1790: (LS 7910) Liggett (DI:96) Computation of unemployment insurance benefits.

Provides that the maximum total amount of unemployment compensation benefits payable to an individual during any benefit period shall not exceed 26 times the individual's weekly benefit, or 32% of the individual's wage credits with respect to the individual's base period, whichever is less. (Current law provides that the maximum total amount of unemployment compensation benefits payable to an individual during any benefit period shall not exceed 26 times the individual's weekly benefit, or 28% of the individual's wage credits with respect to the individual's base period, whichever is less.) Makes a conforming change.

# HB 1791: (LS 7912) Liggett (DI:96) Unemployment maximum creditable earnings.

Increases the earnings base used to compute unemployment compensation to a maximum of \$10,000 in a calendar quarter. (Current law provides that the earnings base used to compute unemployment compensation may not exceed \$5,800.)

# HB 1792: (LS 7911) Liggett (DI:96) Base earnings required for unemployment insurance.

Decreases the minimum wage credit necessary to qualify for unemployment

compensation to \$2,000 in the base period, and requires the total wage credits in the base period to equal at least 1.25 times the wages paid in the highest quarter. (Current law requires \$2,750 in the base period with \$1,650 in the last two quarters of the base period, and requires the total wage credits in the base period to equal or exceed 1.25 times the wages in the highest quarter.)

#### HB 1793: (LS 7066) Friend (DI:58) Sales tax exemption.

Exempts from the state gross retail tax items purchased from an individual who is at least 65 years of age if the purchase is at a fair, festival, bazaar, or flea market.

#### HB 1794: (LS 6920) Friend (DI:92) Rural bank branch location incentive.

Provides a five year credit against financial institutions tax liability for a financial institution that establishes an office in a school district that: (1) does not contain a branch or principal office of a financial institution that carries on certain banking functions; and (2) has a population of less than 6,500. Provides that the credit is equal to the lesser of: (1) the taxpayer's financial institutions tax liability; or (2) \$50,000 in the first year, \$40,000 in the second year, \$30,000 in the third year, \$20,000 in the fourth year, and \$10,000 in the fifth year.

#### HB 1795: (LS 6673) Friend (DI:58) Credit for sales tax on vehicles purchased out of state.

Provides that the credit for sales taxes paid for purchases in another state applies to vehicles.

#### HB 1796: (LS 7941) Ripley (DI:98) Personal allowance for county home residents.

Allows a resident of a county home to retain one-half of the individual's employment income, after certain deductions.

#### HB 1797: (LS 7940) Ripley (DI:98) Informed consent for abortion.

Adds specific risks of and alternatives to an abortion to the information that must be provided to a woman for consent to be voluntary and informed.

# HB 1798: (LS 7993) Ripley (DI:100) Insurance agent continuing education requirements.

Provides that the insurance commissioner may reduce the number of continuing education hours required for an insurance agent or waive the continuing education requirement for an insurance agent if the insurance commissioner believes that the insurance agent's primary business purpose is not the sale of insurance products.

#### HB 1799: (LS 6480) Ripley (DI:51) Reimbursement of domestic violence expenses.

Specifies that a court may require a defendant to pay the emergency shelter expenses and child care expenses incurred for a victim of domestic violence.

### HB 1800: (LS 7420) Ripley (DI:73) Property tax exemptions.

Provides a property tax exemption for property located on a homestead if the property is used to accommodate a person with a disability or otherwise make the homestead readily accessible to or inhabitable by a person with a disability.

#### HB 1801: (LS 6926) Ripley (DI:94) Tort claims for hazardous activities.

Provides that public and private owners and operators of skate parks or recreation areas are immune from civil damages for injuries caused by skating, if: (1) the owner or operator requires that each user of the park or recreation area wear a helmet, elbow pads, and knee pads; (2) the facility is designed or maintained for the purpose of recreational skating use; and (3) the facility is not supervised by the person on a regular basis.

## HB 1802: (LS 8164) Foley (DI:58) Martinsville food and beverage tax.

Permits Martinsville to impose a 1% food and beverage tax for city hall improvements, police and fire station construction, sanitary sewer and wastewater facility improvements, and storm sewer drainage improvements.

#### HB 1803: (LS 8132) Kuzman (DI:51) Public defense fund.

Increases the annual distribution to the public defense fund from \$2,400,000 to \$4,200,000.

## HB 1804: (LS 6694) Scholer (DI:92) Levy controls on court funding.

Requires a county to deposit court fees in a court fund established by the county instead of depositing them in the county's general fund. Provides that the costs of: (1) paying for judges' salaries, office expenses, and

personnel; (2) providing adult probation, juvenile detention, juvenile probation, and public defenders; (3) operating the clerk of the circuit court's office; and (4) certain other court related expenditures shall be paid from the court fund if they are not paid from the family and children's fund.

#### HB 1805: (LS 8054) Scholer (DI:77) Rehabilitation recovery houses.

Provides that the chief executive officer of an entity that is certified as a residential care provider is not required to have certain educational or managerial experience. Requires the division of mental health to amend and review certain rules that affect transitional residential programs.

#### HB 1806: (LS 8014) Scholer (DI:77) Motorboat endorsement.

Requires that by July 1, 2001, the operator of a motorboat on public waters must have a motorboat endorsement on the person's Indiana driver's license or identification card. Requires the successful completion of a boating education course to receive an endorsement from the bureau of motor vehicles. Allows the endorsement to be removed for certain violations.

### HB 1807: (LS 7410) Hoffman (DI:2) Vocational education study committee.

Establishes a secondary school vocational education study committee to study issues related to secondary school vocational education programs. Requires the committee to conduct a study of several aspects of secondary school vocational education and to report findings to the legislative council by December 1, 1999.

# HB 1808: (LS 6450) Hoffman (DI:2) Equipment for area vocational schools

Appropriates \$5,000,000 to the department of education for distribution directly to area vocational schools for the purchase of vocational education equipment.

# HB 1809: (LS 8052) Thompson (DI:75) Filling ballot and office vacancies.

Specifies that a political party office is not an office under Article 15 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana. Provides that elected precinct committeemen are always eligible to participate in a caucus to fill an early candidate vacancy or a vacancy in a legislative or local office. Provides that an appointed precinct committeeman is eligible to participate in a caucus to fill a vacancy if the individual was a committeeman 30 days before the vacancy occurred. Provides that an appointed precinct committeeman who was not a committeeman 30 days before the vacancy occurs may participate in a caucus to fill a vacancy under certain circumstances. States the circumstances under which a precinct vice committeeman may participate in a caucus to fill a vacancy. Establishes procedures at a caucus to determine who may represent a precinct in a caucus to fill a vacancy. Provides that voting by proxy may not be used in a caucus to fill a vacancy.

#### HB 1810: (LS 8037) Thompson (DI:75) Precinct committeemen.

Permits the county chairman of a political party to file with the circuit court clerk a notice of the name of an appointed precinct committeeman or vice committeeman.

Provides that an individual may not perform

any function of a precinct committeeman or vice committeeman under Indiana election law until the circuit court clerk receives notice of the individual's appointment.

#### HB 1811: (LS 8188) Fry (DI:47) Mutual insurance holding company act.

Authorizes a mutual insurance company (MIC) to reorganize as a mutual insurance holding company (MIHC) with one or more subsidiaries. Establishes principles for the protection of the surplus of an MIHC for the exclusive benefit of its members. Authorizes the formation of stock insurance company subsidiaries and intermediate stock holding companies as subsidiaries of an MIHC. Establishes requirements that any plan of reorganization or initial plan to issue stock must meet, including requirements that the plan be filed before July 1, 2001, that public hearings be held, and that the members of an MIC vote in favor of the plan after notice. Establishes certain requirements applying to mutual insurance holding companies, including the requirement to file annual reports with the insurance commissioner. Prohibits an MIHC and its subsidiaries and affiliates from taking certain actions, including the payment of special compensation to an officer or director for services associated with a stock offering.

### HB 1812: (LS 7754) Day (DI:98) Health facility revenues and enforcement.

Allows the office of Medicaid policy and planning to require a health facility to disclose non-Medicaid revenue information in the health facility's annual historical financial report and allows the information to be used for public reporting purposes.

Allows an allegation of breach at a health facility to be made orally or in writing. Requires the state department of health to investigate all oral allegations, not just oral allegations that the state department considers to have merit. Makes changes to the terminology and descriptions of the categories of a breach at a health facility. Increases the penalties for a breach at a health facility. Requires the state department of health to impose the balance of fines or costs assessed against a health facility against the licensee of the health facility if the health facility is unable to pay. Requires a health facility found to have committed a breach to comply with various notice requirements. Allows the state department of health to place a temporary manager in a health facility at the health facility's expense to oversee the operation of the health facility while a breach is corrected or the health facility is being closed. Provides immunity from civil liability for a temporary manager, except for certain specified acts or omissions.

# HB 1813: (LS 7757) Day (DI:98) Health facility complaint resolution and staffing.

Requires a health facility to have a registered nurse on duty at all times as a nursing supervisor, with a waiver allowed in some situations. Provides additional staffing requirements depending upon the number of beds in the health facility. Requires a health facility to maintain minimum ratios of staff to patients and to post various notices regarding staffing. Increases the number of hours of classroom instruction and supervised clinical experience required for nurse aides. Allows any allegation of breach at a health facility to be made orally or in

writing. Requires the state department of health to investigate all oral allegations, not just oral allegations that the state department considers to have merit. Requires the state department of health to begin an investigation of an allegation within either 24 hours or 30 days after receiving the allegation, depending on the nature of the allegation. Requires that the investigation be unannounced and include interviews with all relevant witnesses. Imposes certain reporting requirements upon the completion of an investigation. Requires the state department of health to establish procedures for reconsideration of investigation results.

### HB 1814: (LS 8130) Smith M (DI:73) Property tax levy appeal for transfer tuition.

Provides that the state board of tax commissioners shall allow Union Township School Corporation in Fulton County to increase the school corporation's maximum property tax levy in 2000, 2001, and 2002 to pay for certain transfer tuition costs.

### HB 1815: (LS 8050) Smith M (DI:76) Community corrections placements by sheriffs.

Allows a county sheriff to place a person who has been confined to the county jail into a community corrections program. Prohibits the community corrections placement if: (1) the sentencing court disapproves of the placement; or (2) the placement is prohibited by statute. Requires, however, that before the county sheriff may place the person on work release, the appropriate prosecuting attorney and the sentencing court must approve the work release. Requires that before a person who is confined to the county jail may be transferred to a

community correction program's facility under certain circumstances, the county sheriff who is supervising the person must approve the transfer. Requires that whenever the county sheriff places the person in a community corrections program, all laws governing the placement apply in the same manner as if the placement had been made by the sentencing court.

# HB 1816: (LS 7584) Klinker (DI:73) Property tax administration.

Provides that if the county assessor is a certified level 2 assessor-appraiser, the board of county commissioners may waive the requirement that one of the freehold members appointed by the board to the county property tax assessment board of appeals must be a certified level 2 assessor-appraiser. Provides that only a person who is a certified level 2 Indiana assessor-appraiser appointed to a property tax assessment board of appeals may serve on the property tax assessment board of appeals of another county at the same time. Provides that if there are not two freeholders in a county who are certified level 2 assessor-appraisers and who are willing to serve on the county property tax assessment board of appeals, the certified level 2 assessor-appraisers appointed to the board may reside outside the county. Provides that the county assessor, county fiscal body, and board of county commissioners may agree to waive the requirement that not more than three of the five members of the county property tax assessment board of appeals may be of the same political party if it is necessary to waive the requirement because there are no certified level 2 assessor-appraisers who are willing to serve

on the board and who are members of the political party that would otherwise be represented by two members on the board. Provides that beginning January 1, 2000, in each county the assessor or an employee of the county assessor must be a certified level 2 assessor-appraiser. Provides that a county assessor who becomes a certified level 2 assessor-appraiser is entitled to a salary increase of \$1,000 after the assessor's certification. Provides that a person who is a certified level 2 assessor-appraiser who replaces a county assessor who is not so certified is entitled to a salary of \$1,000 more than the salary of the person's predecessor. Provides that an employee of a county assessor or township assessor who becomes a certified level 2 assessor-appraiser is entitled to a salary increase of \$500 after the employee's certification.

# HB 1817: (LS 8171) Hasler (DI:101) Home inspector licensure.

Establishes the Indiana home inspectors licensing board to regulate home inspectors and associate home inspectors in Indiana. Sets the qualifications for licensed home inspectors and associate home inspectors. Provides that a person who performs home inspections for compensation without a license commits a Class B infraction. Requires that a civil action based upon the professional services of a licensed home inspector in Indiana must be filed within two years from the date of the act or omission that is the subject of the complaint. Makes certain other changes.

# HB 1818: (LS 7704) Adams T (DI:94) Unemployment compensation.

Provides that a person who has left a job for a higher paying job is not automatically disqualified from receiving unemployment insurance benefits if the person is separated from employment in the second job without just cause. (Current law provides that a person is automatically disqualified unless the person has been employed at the second job for at least ten weeks.) Provides that an employee who is discharged for a violation of an attendance policy is not considered to have been discharged for just cause if the employee can show good cause for the absences or tardiness. Provides that "good cause" includes: (1) compelling family obligations of the individual; (2) sexual harassment of the individual in connection with the individual's employment; and (3) financial inability of the individual to maintain two separate places of residence.

### HB 1819: (LS 7866) Klinker (DI:77) Disability and rehabilitative services.

Removes references to the New Castle State Developmental Center and the Northern Indiana State Developmental Center. Relocates provisions within the Indiana Code governing the family support program and the funding requirements for centers for independent living. Requires that a majority of the members appointed to the family support council must approve any action. Revises the duties of the bureau of developmental disabilities services. Requires the bureau to provide service coordination services to developmentally disabled individuals. Authorizes the adult protective services unit to use the prosecuting attorney to obtain a protective order. Requires the board of interpreter standards to adopt certain rules. Removes the director of the

division of family and children's authority over state owned children's facilities. Adds two members to the interagency coordinating council. Removes the state fire marshal's office from the community residential facilities council. Makes numerous changes to transition services offered to disabled students who leave the special education program. Repeals existing provisions governing community residential programs, case management services, respite care, diagnostic assessment, rehabilitation services, the emergency support fund, and the family subsidy program. Makes conforming amendments.

# HB 1820: (LS 7695) Klinker (DI:100) Licensure of respiratory care professionals.

Requires a respiratory care practitioner to be licensed. (Current law requires certification.) Permits an individual who is not a licensed, registered, or certified health care professional to perform respiratory care procedures after passage of an examination. Permits an individual who is not a licensed or certified health care professional to deliver, set up, calibrate, and demonstrate the operation of respiratory care equipment if certain conditions are met.

### HB 1821: (LS 8051) Klinker (DI:47) Commission for higher education.

Permits a member of the commission for higher education to be a public employee if the person is not an employee or board member of a public or private university or college in Indiana. Permits members of the commission to be reimbursed for lodging expenses incurred while on official business.

# HB 1822: (LS 8048) Klinker (DI:76) Adoption funding and background checks.

Requires a petitioner for adoption to indicate as part of the adoption petition whether the petitioner has been convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor relating to the health and safety of children. Requires a licensed child placing agency or county office of family and children to conduct a criminal history background check on each petitioner for adoption. Provides that if the petitioner for adoption is charged with a felony or a misdemeanor relating to the health and safety of children during the pendency of the adoption, the petitioner must notify the court. Provides that a conviction of a felony or a misdemeanor related to the health and safety of a child may be grounds for the court to deny the petition for adoption. Prohibits the court from granting an adoption if the petitioner for adoption has been convicted of certain specified felonies. Specifies that money appropriated to the program for adoption of hard to place children does not revert to the state general fund at the end of the state fiscal year.

#### HB 1823: (LS 8091) Klinker (DI:44) University police officers.

Provides that when a police officer retires after at least 20 years service with a state university police force, the officer may retain the officer's service weapon and receive a badge showing the officer's retired status. Provides that the officer shall be issued an identification card by the department showing the officer's name and rank at retirement, retired status, and authority to retain the service weapon.

# HB 1824: (LS 7943) Klinker (DI:92) Appropriation for the Indiana arts commission.

Appropriates \$5,544,159 annually from the state general fund to the Indiana arts commission to provide program and service grants to arts providers.

# HB 1825: (LS 7552) Klinker (DI:92) Sales tax on college textbooks.

Provides that sales of textbooks are exempt from the state gross retail tax if: (1) the textbooks are required for an undergraduate course at an accredited college or university; and (2) the purchaser is a student enrolled in an accredited college or university or the parent or guardian of a student enrolled in an accredited college or university.

### HB 1826: (LS 7998) Klinker (DI:100) Health professions bureau.

Provides the boards that are under the jurisdiction of the health professions bureau with additional options when considering the renewal application of a practitioner. (Current law provides for license renewal or denial of the license renewal.) Provides that a practitioner is subject to further disciplinary sanctions if, after a hearing, a board finds that the practitioner failed to comply with an order that was issued as a disciplinary sanction.

## HB 1827: (LS 7532) Adams T (DI:73) Allocation of low income housing tax credits.

Provides that the Indiana housing finance authority may allocate federal low income housing credits to a building providing housing for persons with disabilities even if the building is not "primarily" used to provide residential housing for persons with disabilities. Requires the authority to allocate the federal credits under this provision based on the proportionate amount of a qualified building that is used to provide residential housing for persons with disabilities.

# HB 1828: (LS 7689) Adams T (DI:96) State employee labor matters.

Eliminates retention points as criteria for layoff and rehiring for state merit and nonmerit employees. Requires the state to compute military preference and length of service for determination of reduction in force for state employees. Eliminates the requirement that retention points be computed to determine the order of layoff within each county and the provision that each county is considered to be an autonomous unit for layoff procedures. Allows a state employee who is subject to layoff to displace another state employee in the same or lower class for any location within the state, if the employee has a higher seniority position than the employee being displaced. Allows a state employee who has been laid off to have reemployment rights in any location within the state.

#### HB 1829: (LS 6057) Kruse (DI:77) Tobacco use by minors.

Makes it a Class C misdemeanor instead of a Class C infraction for a person to knowingly sell or distribute tobacco to a person who is less than 18 years of age. Removes the defense that the person reasonably believed that the buyer or taker of the tobacco was at least 18 years of age.

# HB 1830: (LS 7326) Kruse (DI:78) Prohibit impoundment of scenic rivers.

Requires the director of the department of natural resources to maintain rivers in the Indiana natural, scenic, and recreational river system free of impoundments at all times.

#### HB 1831: (LS 7626) Kruse (DI:96) Low number passenger motor vehicle plate fees.

Requires a pull service charge to be collected by the bureau of motor vehicles when a low number passenger motor vehicle registration plate is requested containing the prefix numbers and letter and the following numerals: (1) 1 through 100 in a county with a population of 50,000 and under; (2) 1 through 200 in a county with a population of 50,000 to 100,000; (3) 1 through 500 in a county with a population of 100,000 through 250,000; (4) 1 through 1,000 in a county with a population of more than 250,000. Makes the pull service charge a political contribution to be distributed to the treasurers of the county central committees of the political parties in the county where the pull service charge is collected.

#### HB 1832: (LS 7328) Kruse (DI:44) Fuel tax funds disbursement.

Eliminates the requirement that one-half of the money appropriated to the state police department must be paid from the motor vehicle highway account. Provides that counties, cities, and towns and the state highway fund shall receive the amounts previously appropriated to the state police department. Makes related changes.

#### HB 1833: (LS 6839) Kruse (DI:69) Interrogation of suspects.

Provides that if a law enforcement officer makes a false, material statement during an interrogation of a person suspected of committing a crime, any information provided by the person that is based on the false, material statement made by the law enforcement officer may not be admitted into evidence at a trial to prove the person committed the crime.

#### HB 1834: (LS 6820) Kruse (DI:97) Motor vehicle excess medical payments coverage.

Defines "excess medical payments coverage" as supplemental insurance coverage for medical expenses related to bodily injury of an insured under a motor vehicle insurance policy. Requires an insurer to offer excess medical payments coverage with limits of not less than \$250,000 to every purchaser of a motor vehicle insurance policy. Provides that excess medical payments coverage must cover bodily injury of an insured regardless of the negligence of an insured. Provides that the insurer is subrogated to the rights of the insured to the extent of the costs of medical expenses paid by the insurer under the excess medical payments coverage upon determination of liability for the motor vehicle accident from which the medical expenses arise.

# HB 1835: (LS 6593) Kruse (DI:58) County motor fuel tax.

Provides that a county motor fuel tax may be imposed by counties that do not have a county motor vehicle excise surtax and county wheel tax in effect. Allows a county that adopts the tax to collect \$0.01 or \$0.02 per gallon of gasoline or special fuel. Requires that a county that imposes the tax

must follow the procedures for adoption under the county option income tax. Prohibits the adoption of the county motor vehicle excise surtax and county wheel tax if the county motor fuel tax is in effect. Establishes a state general fund account and county and city and town motor fuel tax funds for a county in which the county motor fuel tax is imposed. Requires revenue to be collected by the state and distributed to the county and the cities and towns in the county. Provides that a portion of the revenue is distributed in the same manner as funds from the local road and street account. Allows the issuance of bonds payable from county and city and town motor fuel tax funds.

## HB 1836: (LS 6554) Kruse (DI:100) Renting materials harmful to minors.

Makes it a Class D felony to rent or display for rent matter that is harmful to persons less than 18 years of age within 500 feet of a school or church.

#### HB 1837: (LS 6261) Kruse (DI:73) Pension relief fund and TRF pension stabilization fund appropriations.

Appropriates \$100,000,000 from the state general fund to the pension relief fund and appropriates \$400,000,000 from the state general fund to the pension stabilization fund.

# HB 1838: (LS 6298) Kruse (DI:2) Unserved townships and library districts.

Provides procedures for a township that does not have territory in a library district to join an existing library district: (1) by legislative body resolution; or (2) by an election on a public question.

### HB 1839: (LS 6418) Kruse (DI:92) Inventory tax phase out.

Provides a credit against a taxpayer's state tax liability for property taxes paid on inventory. Provides that the credit is initially equal to 20% of property taxes paid on inventory and increases the credit percentage over five years until the credit may be claimed for 100% of property taxes paid on inventory.

#### HB 1840: (LS 6272) Kruse (DI:58) Local property tax replacement income tax.

Allows a county council to impose a property tax replacement income tax not exceeding 1% for the county. Allows the county council to use revenues from the property tax replacement income tax for property tax replacement credit. Provides an additional state distribution to local units in an adopting county in the amount of 20% of the property tax replacement income tax imposed by the county. Allows the additional distribution to be used for local road and street funding.

# HB 1841: (LS 6403) Kruse (DI:94) Buggy lanes.

Requires the Indiana department of transportation to create and construct buggy lanes for horse drawn carriages and wagons operated by an individual. Provides that buggy lanes must be constructed adjacent to a designated highway, and the buggy lane must be dedicated solely to buggy traffic. Requires a buggy lane for each direction of buggy traffic. Requires the Indiana department of transportation to periodically

publish maps of buggy lanes. Requires the Indiana department of transportation to set weight limits on vehicles that travel buggy lanes. Provides that highways designated to receive buggy lanes are: (1) U.S. 20, between Angola and Elkhart; (2) State Road 9, from the Michigan state line to U.S. 6; and (3) State Road 5, from State Road 120 to Ligonier on U.S. 6. Requires the Indiana department of transportation, the Indiana state police department, and local police departments to work together on procedures to enhance the safety of buggy traffic, motor vehicles, and citizens along the buggy lane.

#### HB 1842: (LS 6164) Kruse (DI:76) Premarital education.

Establishes a waiting period of 60 days after a person applies for a marriage license before the person is allowed to marry. Provides an exception to the waiting period if the person petitions a court and the court finds good and sufficient reason and that it is in the best interests of all the individuals concerned with the petition to issue an order waiving the waiting period. Reduces the waiting period to three days if the person participates in a premarital education course as prescribed by statute. Requires that the premarital education course must consist of at least four hours of instruction. Requires that the premarital education course must include instruction on conflict management, communication skills, financial responsibilities, and parenting. Requires that the premarital education course must be provided by certain qualified instructors. Requires the marriage license applicant to pay for the costs of the premarital education course. Requires each qualified premarital education course instructor to furnish each

participant of the premarital instruction with a certificate of completion that the participant must file with the clerk of court. Requires each qualified instructor of premarital education to file certain information regarding the instructor's qualifications with the clerk of court. Confers upon researchers from Indiana University-Bloomington, School of Social Work, the responsibility to determine the effectiveness of premarital education courses offered throughout Indiana. Allows Indiana University-Bloomington, School of Social Work, to create premarital education pilot programs. Increases from 60 to 120 days the period during which a marriage license application expires unless a license to marry is issued within that time.

# HB 1843: (LS 6055) Kruse (DI:76) Mandatory premarital blood testing.

Requires an individual who intends to marry to have blood tests for certain sexually transmitted dangerous communicable diseases, including human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection. Provides that the test results are confidential. (Current law provides for optional HIV testing before obtaining a marriage license.) (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on family law issues.)

#### HB 1844: (LS 6163) Kruse (DI:76) Dissolution of marriage waiting period.

Extends the minimum waiting period from 60 days to 180 days before a dissolution of marriage may be finalized.

HB 1845: (LS 6202) Kruse (DI:69) Public water supply monitoring.

Provides that, except for investigations ordered by the commissioner of the department of environmental management to determine whether a public water supply is impure and dangerous to health or whether there has been a violation of environmental laws, a public water supply serving a facility that is owned by a church or religious society and exempt from property taxes may be monitored for contaminants not more than one time per year.

# HB 1846: (LS 6201) Kruse (DI:69) Arrests, searches, and seizures by federal employees.

Provides that a federal employee who is not designated by state law to act as a state law enforcement officer may not make an arrest, a search, or a seizure in Indiana without the written permission of the sheriff or the designee of the sheriff who has jurisdiction in the county in which the arrest, search, or seizure will occur. Provides certain exceptions. Provides that if an arrest, a search, or a seizure is made without the sheriff's written permission, the federal employee must be prosecuted under Indiana law and charged with an offense appropriate to the circumstances. Provides that under the Tenth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States and Indiana's compact with the other states, the general assembly declares that any federal law that purports to provide federal employees with the authority of a sheriff in Indiana is not recognized by and is specifically rejected by Indiana and is invalid in Indiana.

# HB 1847: (LS 6276) Kruse (DI:58) Income tax deductions.

Increases the adjusted gross income tax

deduction for individuals, dependents, and aged and blind persons from \$1,000 to \$2,000.

#### HB 1848: (LS 6166) Kruse (DI:77) Personal needs allowance.

Increases the monthly personal needs allowance to at least \$60 beginning July 1, 1999, for: (1) elderly, blind, and disabled individuals residing in county homes who receive residential care assistance from the state; (2) other individuals receiving residential care assistance from the state who reside in room and board facilities; (3) Medicaid eligible individuals receiving care in hospitals or nursing facilities; and (4) Medicaid eligible individuals residing in community residential facilities for the developmentally disabled. (Current law provides that the monthly personal needs allowance for these individuals may not be less than \$28.50 or more than \$35.)

### HB 1849: (LS 6270) Kruse (DI:58) Sales tax exemption.

Exempts utility charges from the sales tax. Provides that a utility is not a retail merchant for sales tax purposes.

## HB 1850: (LS 6072) Kruse (DI:77) Inspection of septic tanks near bodies of water.

Requires each local board of health and the Marion County division of public health to inspect septic tanks within 100 feet of a body of water for compliance with state and federal laws. Allows a local board of health and the governing board of the health and hospital corporation of Marion County to adopt rules requiring that septic tanks within 100 feet of a body of water be registered.

#### HB 1851: (LS 6238) Kruse (DI:96) Parental consent for child to work.

Provides that the parents of a child who has withdrawn from school to work may revoke their consent to employment and withdrawal of the child from school. Provides that upon withdrawal of parental consent, the child must return to school. Provides that a child's parent (or parents in the case of a child whose parents have joint custody after a divorce or dissolution of marriage decree) must consent in writing in order for the child to receive an employment certificate. Requires the issuing officer to send a copy of the employment certificate to the parents. Requires the employer to notify the issuing officer and the parents if the child's employment terminates. Requires the department of labor or the Indiana state board of education to notify the issuing officer, the child's parents, and the child's employer when the certificate is revoked. Requires parental consent for a child to appeal the denial of an employment certificate. Provides that if the parents of a child request the issuing officer to revoke a child's employment certificate, the issuing officer must revoke the certificate.

# HB 1852: (LS 6197) Kruse (DI:77) Counties and townships to administer welfare.

Eliminates participation of the federal and state governments in public assistance programs and transfers all authority for administering public assistance to the executive department of each county and to township trustees. Establishes the state and federal public assistance elimination commission to prepare legislation for consideration by the general assembly, as

necessary, to resolve issues related to the transfer of authority. Repeals the statute establishing the office of the secretary of family and social services; family and social services bodies; the family and social services advisory commission; the office of Medicaid policy and planning, and the financial services group.

# HB 1853: (LS 6069) Kruse (DI:76) Civil action against property owners.

Establishes a rebuttable presumption that: (1) an injury involving the use of force or deadly force suffered while a claimant is committing a crime on the property of another is the fault of or was caused by the claimant; and (2) the claimant waives any right to recover damages from the property owner. Establishes an affirmative defense available to the property owner in these actions.

# HB 1854: (LS 6239) Kruse (DI:96) Work permits for children.

Provides that an issuing officer may issue two employment certificates to a child if: (1) the total number of hours per week that the child works does not exceed the maximum allowed by law; and (2) each employment certificate states the maximum number of hours per week the child may work at the location for which the employment certificate is issued.

# HB 1855: (LS 6100) Kruse (DI:92) Property tax deductions for property in living trusts.

Provides that the property tax deductions for the elderly, blind, disabled, disabled veterans, and World War I veterans may be claimed by a trust if a qualified individual owns a beneficial interest in the trust. Makes conforming amendments to the statutes that do not take effect until March 1, 2001.

# HB 1856: (LS 6053) Kruse (DI:98) Covenant marriage.

Defines covenant marriage. Provides that couples can designate a covenant marriage when applying for a marriage license or after marriage. Requires a marriage license to indicate if the marriage is a covenant marriage. Establishes the procedure for declaring a covenant marriage. Requires the state department of health to maintain records of covenant marriage declarations. Provides limited grounds for legal separation or dissolution of a covenant marriage. Requires the state department of health to develop an informational pamphlet regarding covenant marriage. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Interim Study Committee on Family Law Issues.)

#### HB 1857: (LS 6059) Kruse (DI:2) Abstinence education in schools.

Changes the requirements for teaching abstinence from sexual activity outside of marriage for accredited public and nonpublic schools throughout instruction on human sexuality or sexually transmitted diseases.

# HB 1858: (LS 6269) Kruse (DI:58) City and town cumulative capital development fund.

Increases the maximum cumulative capital development fund property tax rate to \$0.65 for cities and towns in counties that have adopted either the county adjusted gross

income tax or the county option income tax if either income tax has been in existence for more than three years.

### HB 1859: (LS 6176) Kruse (DI:73) Property tax levy limits.

Provides that the legislative body of a city or town may adopt an ordinance providing that the property tax levy limits do not apply to property taxes imposed by the city or town to raise revenue for pension payments and contributions that the city or town is required to make for police officers and firefighters. Makes conforming changes to the formula providing the "m portion" of the pension relief fund distributions to a city or town that adopts the ordinance. Provides that state property tax replacement credits are not available for the increased property tax levy imposed outside the levy limits to pay for the pension payments and contributions.

#### HB 1860: (LS 7661) Porter (DI:2) School quality and innovations; charter schools.

Provides that the governing body of a school corporation may establish an Indiana school quality and academic progress innovation program for one or more schools in the school corporation. Establishes components of the innovation program and provides a state general fund appropriation of \$40 per student in average daily membership (ADM) in a school that has an innovation program approved by the Indiana state board of education. Provides for the establishment of public charter schools. Sets forth the description, general powers, student and teacher matters, application requirements, application procedures, budgets and funding,

operation and oversight, and charter revocation procedures for public charter schools. Limits the number of charter schools that may be established. Establishes the Indiana teacher quality initiative as a public private partnership to provide expertise and training in teaching. Appropriates \$750,000 annually from the state general fund for the teacher quality initiative. Establishes the Indiana school quality and best practices resource center as a public private partnership to provide expertise and training in school quality matters. Appropriates \$1,750,000 annually from the state general fund for the resource center. Repeals the Indiana school academic improvement law and the freeway schools law. Makes conforming amendments.

# HB 1861: (LS 8133) Frizzell (DI:88) Mandatory newborn HIV testing.

Requires that a newborn be tested for the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) or for antibodies to HIV. (Current law provides that a newborn may be tested for HIV if the newborn's mother is not tested for HIV, the newborn's mother refuses to allow the newborn to be tested for HIV, and a physician believes that testing the newborn for HIV is medically necessary.) Provides that a physician, hospital, or medical laboratory required to report each case of HIV infection to the state department of health or the results of tests performed on each newborn to the state department of health may not include the name or any other identifying characteristics of a newborn who tests positive for HIV. Requires the state department of health to adopt rules to ensure that the family of each newborn is informed of the results of the

tests required to be conducted on each newborn. Requires a physician who orders an HIV test for a newborn to provide HIV information and counseling to the newborn's mother.

#### HB 1862: (LS 7171) Burton (DI:73) Funding of the Kinsey Institute.

Provides that state appropriations may not be used for the administration, operation, and programs of the Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender, and Reproduction. Provides that political subdivisions may not appropriate money for the Kinsey Institute.

# HB 1863: (LS 7082) Kuzman (DI:44) Utility regulatory commission hearings.

Corrects internal references in a statute concerning hearings by the Indiana utility regulatory commission on gas pipeline safety matters.

#### HB 1864: (LS 6543) Kuzman (DI:69) Landfills in Lake County.

Prohibits the establishment of a sanitary landfill in Lake County within five miles of a federal, state, or county park, sanctuary, or preserve used by migratory wildlife.

# HB 1865: (LS 7772) Kuzman (DI:69) Criminal history checks for handguns.

Allows the state police department to maintain a record for not more than 12 months indicating that the fee collected by a firearms dealer to offset the cost of conducting a criminal history check on a person acquiring a handgun has been transferred to the state police department by the dealer.

### HB 1866: (LS 8155) Bauer (DI:58) Department of state revenue provisions.

Extends the use tax exemption for tangible personal property that is destined out of state to property that is delivered from within Indiana. (Current law provides that only the use of property delivered into Indiana is exempt.) Changes the definition of qualifying child for the earned income tax deduction. Changes the definition of dependent for the medical care savings account deduction. Permits set offs of income tax refunds for the Internal Revenue Service. Requires the department of state revenue to compile business income data. Allows the department of state revenue to enter into an agreement with the Secretary of the Treasury to offset federal tax refunds for Indiana income taxes owed. Requires state gross retail and use taxes to be paid monthly but reports to be filed quarterly, except under certain circumstances. Combines the motor carrier certification process for property and passenger carriers under the property carrier law. Removes vehicle registration information from the income tax return. Eliminates the requirement that voter registration forms be included in income tax returns that are mailed. Corrects internal references.

# HB 1867: (LS 8066) Bauer (DI:58) Internal Revenue Code update.

Updates the references to the Internal Revenue Code.

# HB 1868: (LS 8128) Bauer (DI:58) Tax payments and local tax information.

Expands the requirement of tax payments by electronic funds transfer. Provides that

ordinances to adopt, increase, rescind, or repeal local income taxes, innkeepers' taxes, food and beverage taxes, and certain other local taxes must be adopted after January 1 and before April 1 of a year. Provides that certified copies of these ordinances must be sent by certified mail to the commissioner of the department of state revenue not more than ten days after adoption. Provides that these ordinances take effect July 1 of the year in which they are adopted. Provides that, for purposes of local innkeepers' taxes, local food and beverage taxes, and certain other local taxes, if the department of state revenue determines after December 31. 1999, that a person's estimated monthly tax liability for the current year or average monthly tax liability for the preceding year exceeds \$5,000, the person must pay the monthly tax due by electronic funds transfer or by delivering in person or by overnight courier a payment by cashier's check, certified check, or money order. Makes certain other changes concerning local income taxes, innkeepers' taxes, food and beverage taxes, and other local taxes.

# HB 1869: (LS 8030) Bauer (DI:87) Integrated public safety commission.

Establishes the integrated public safety commission to promote the efficient use of local, state, and federal public safety agency resources through improved coordination and cooperation. Allows the integrated public safety commission to contract for the establishment of a statewide public safety voice and data communications system. Eliminates the public safety trunking system committee. Establishes the state agency public safety committee. Requires a state public safety agency that has or wants to

have a voice or data wireless communications network to join the statewide public safety voice and data communications system.

## **HB 1870:** (LS 8090) Bauer (DI:44) Escrow fund for tobacco company payments.

Requires a cigarette manufacturer that is not a participant in the master settlement agreement among cigarette manufacturers and various states (including Indiana) to make payments into an escrow account.

### HB 1871: (LS 8175) Bauer (DI:75) Public officers salary commission.

Establishes the public officers salary commission consisting of seven members. Authorizes the commission to adopt administrative rules to govern the proceedings of the commission and to set the salaries of: (1) members of the general assembly; (2) the governor and other elected public officers in the executive branch of state government; and (3) the justices of the Indiana supreme court, the judges of the Indiana court of appeals, the judge of the Indiana tax court, and the judges of the circuit, superior, and county courts of Indiana. Provides that the general assembly retains authority to establish salaries by statute and to void a salary rule of the commission. Provides for the salary of public officers if the general assembly voids a salary rule of the commission or repeals a statute setting the salary of a public officer. Removes current salaries of public officers in the judicial branch from statute. Repeals current statutes setting the salaries of members of the general assembly and public officers in the executive branch. Makes

certain other changes.

#### HB 1872: (LS 7669) Grubb (DI:2) Higher education scholarship program.

Establishes the Indiana higher education scholarship program to provide a \$250 per semester or \$2,000 lifetime scholarship for undergraduate study to individuals who are Indiana residents for two years and attend Indiana institutions of higher education, including proprietary institutions, for at least 12 hours in a semester. Provides for administration of the program by the state student assistance commission and funding from lottery and gaming revenues.

#### HB 1873: (LS 7922) Grubb (DI:77) Dental anesthesia.

Requires health insurance and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for certain anesthesia and hospital charges for dental procedures.

# HB 1874: (LS 7013) Kruse (DI:58) Elimination of taxation of savings accounts.

Eliminates state and local income taxes on interest earned on deposits in savings accounts and certificates of deposits at financial institutions.

# HB 1875: (LS 7667) Kruse (DI:2) Responsible beverage server training program.

Requires the alcoholic beverage commission to establish a responsible beverage server training program for managers of establishments having retailer's permits and individuals from those establishments who serve or sell alcoholic beverages. Requires attendance at the training program. Allows

the alcoholic beverage commission to establish a fee for this program and incentives for program attendance.

#### HB 1876: (LS 7464) Kruse (DI:92) Excise tax on recreational vehicles.

Provides that recreational vehicles are subject to a recreational vehicle excise tax instead of the ad valorem property tax on personal property.

#### HB 1877: (LS 6819) Kruse (DI:2) Education income tax credits.

Provides income tax credits related to elementary and secondary education for the following expenditures: (1) Charitable contributions to foundations that provide tuition scholarships for nonpublic schools and home school students. (2) Donations to public schools for certain academic purposes. (3) Expenditures for dependents who attend nonpublic schools. (4) Expenditures for the home schooling of dependents. (5) Expenditures for out of school education of dependents who attend public schools. Phases in the amount of each type of credit over a three year period.

# HB 1878: (LS 7996) Oxley (DI:77) Wildlife violator compact.

Adopts the wildlife violator compact. Provides that a person may have a license to take a wild animal revoked for violating wildlife law while in another jurisdiction that has adopted the wildlife violator compact. Provides that wildlife officers must issue citations to state residents and wildlife violator compact jurisdiction residents in the same manner. Provides for membership on the board of compact administrators.

### HB 1879: (LS 7571) Oxley (DI:73) Adjusted gross income tax deductions.

Provides an individual adjusted gross income tax deduction for expenses paid as the result of a finalized adoption of a child. Provides that the deduction does not apply to expenses reimbursed by a federal, state, or local program or if the taxpayer claims another credit or deduction for the expenses.

### HB 1880: (LS 6535) Oxley (DI:58) Local option education income tax.

Establishes an optional school district education income tax that applies to individuals and to corporations that are subject to the supplemental net income tax. Provides that each school income tax district is comprised of the school corporations that have their budgets reviewed in the same county. Allows school corporations in a school income tax district to collectively impose an individual income tax at a rate of 0.5% or 1.0%. Includes a corporate school income tax at a rate of 0.5% or 1.0% applied to a corporation's supplemental net income, which is apportioned using the ratio of the corporation's assessed value of property in the county to the assessed value of all of the corporation's property in Indiana. Provides that the body that imposes the tax is comprised of the school boards of the school corporations in the school income tax district. Provides that the county auditor shall convene a meeting of the body to consider proposed ordinances. Uses the income tax revenue for property tax replacement credits. Provides that the property tax reduction does not affect the 20% property tax replacement credit paid by the state. Provides that for the purposes of

computing and distributing excise taxes, distributions under the education income tax that are used as property tax replacement credits shall be treated as though the distributions were property taxes. Provides for the collection, administration, and distribution of the education income tax.

#### HB 1881: (LS 7971) Harris (DI:98) Vital records enhancement fund.

Establishes the vital records enhancement fund. Requires the state department of health to deposit \$2 of each vital records search fee into the fund. Provides that the fund may accept gifts and donations.

#### HB 1882: (LS 7334) Harris (DI:58) Oil rerefining tax credit.

Provides a refundable property tax credit for rerefined lubrication oil facilities.

# HB 1883: (LS 7274) Richardson (DI:51) Counterfeit and altered currency.

Makes making, altering, financing, possessing, or delivering counterfeit or altered United States currency or currency of another country a Class D felony.

# HB 1884: (LS 7474) Richardson (DI:73) Hamilton County innkeeper's taxes.

Provides that in Hamilton County, innkeeper's tax revenue may not be deposited in the convention, visitor, and tourism promotion fund without appropriation of the county council. Provides that in Hamilton County the county council may appropriate innkeeper's tax revenue for the acquisition or construction of parks, recreational facilities, or other

facilities providing recreation and tourism opportunities within the county.

#### HB 1885: (LS 7272) Richardson (DI:51) Theft of identity.

Specifies that criminal statutes protecting property apply to the protection of the likeness, name, or identity of a person. Specifies that representing a person as another person with the intent to defraud constitutes the crime of fraud.

## HB 1886: (LS 7435) Murphy (DI:88) Federally qualified health centers.

Requires the office of Medicaid policy and planning to base reimbursement to a federally qualified health center on the federally qualified health center's reasonable costs.

#### HB 1887: (LS 8151) Murphy (DI:58) Earned income deduction.

Replaces the definition of qualifying child with the more expansive Internal Revenue Code definition of dependent for purposes of the earned income deduction. Increases the qualifying income level for the deduction from \$12,000 to \$18,000. Eliminates the phase out of the deduction amount. Makes the deduction permanent.

# HB 1888: (LS 7046) Frenz (DI:73) PERF pension benefits.

Provides that the multiplier used in calculating pension benefits for a PERF member who retires after June 30, 1999, with at least ten years of service as a state employee is equal to 1.2% plus an additional 0.02% for each year of service that exceeds

ten years. Provides that this increased multiplier also applies to employees of a PERF covered employer other than the state if the employer makes an election. Provides that the multiplier used for members of PERF who become disabled after June 30, 1999, with at least five but less than ten years of service is equal to 1.2%. (Current law provides that the multiplier for PERF members is equal to 1.1%.)

### HB 1889: (LS 7169) Crooks (DI:92) State police funding.

Establishes the state police fund and the bureau of motor vehicles commission fund. Changes the allocation of state gross retail and use taxes to include distributions to the state police and bureau of motor vehicles commission funds. Provides that motor vehicle highway account money may not be used to augment the budget of the bureau of motor vehicles commission. Removes a provision appropriating motor vehicle highway account money to the state police.

#### HB 1890: (LS 7790) Kersey (DI:2) Alternative education.

Makes certain changes concerning the state alternative education program grants. Extends the grant to include students in kindergarten through grade 5. Includes the grant amount within calculations for the limitation on the amount of tuition support. Changes the amount of the grant to \$1,000 for each full-time equivalent student in an alternative education program and eliminates the local match requirement. Provides that grant money may be used for alternative education programs or for the addition or retention of elementary or

secondary school counselors. Allows a school corporation to use local funds for alternative education programs. Appropriates \$80,000,000 in the 1999-2001 biennium for the grant program.

### HB 1891: (LS 8021) Kersey (DI:71) Waivers for early kindergarten enrollment.

Requires the department of education to adopt rules concerning appeals for children who do not meet the age requirement for entrance into kindergarten.

# HB 1892: (LS 7266) Kersey (DI:2) Primetime program.

Expands the primetime program to include remedial classes in English/language arts and mathematics exclusively for students in grades 10 through 12 who have been tested and have not met the educational proficiency standard tested in the graduation examination. Provides that a ratio of ten pupils to one teacher is the level at which a school corporation qualifies for a grade 10 through 12 distribution.

# HB 1893: (LS 7227) Richardson (DI:71) Construction of playgrounds.

Requires the fire prevention and building safety commission to adopt rules concerning the construction of public and school playgrounds and the playground equipment used on the playgrounds.

### HB 1894: (LS 8186) Moses (DI:98) Health facility penalties.

Increases the penalties for violations of statutes or administrative rules governing health facilities.

# HB 1895: (LS 8153) Moses (DI:75) Alternative utility regulation.

Provides that the Indiana utility regulatory commission, the utility consumer counselor, one or more energy utilities, or a customer class that has statutory standing may initiate alternative utility regulation for an energy utility. (Under current law only the subject energy utility may seek alternative regulation.) Provides that the commission must consider the benefits to the energy utility, the energy utility's consumers, and the state when making a decision regarding alternative regulation. Requires the commission to adopt regulatory practices, rates, and charges under alternative regulation that are in the public interest and will promote specifically stated goals. Removes provisions that permit an energy utility to reject an alternative regulation plan. Provides that the commission may not establish rates and charges for nonresidential electric service customers priced below cost that would require subsidization by residential customers. Repeals a superseded statute.

### HB 1896: (LS 8197) Moses (DI:75) Net metering systems.

Establishes a program to encourage investment in and use of renewable electric generating systems. Provides for establishment of a system under which customers that generate electricity through solar energy or wind offset costs of using electricity provided by an electric utility by electricity that the customer generates and returns to the customer's electric utility. Requires electric utilities to permit a certain number of customers to be

customer-generators. Requires a customer-generator's system to meet certain safety and performance standards. Authorizes the Indiana utility regulatory commission to take certain actions to regulate the program, including the adoption of rules and the imposition of civil penalties.

#### HB 1897: (LS 8180) Moses (DI:96) Regulated explosives.

Specifies that common fireworks are not included in the definition of a regulated explosive. Changes the amount of insurance required for regulated explosives to be not less than \$100,000 and not more than \$1,000,000. (Current law requires the amount of insurance to be not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$250,000.) Requires that the owner or an occupant of a regulated explosives magazine must comply with all federal requirements relating to the regulated explosives magazine.

#### HB 1898: (LS 7903) Smith V (DI:69) Penalties for murder.

Provides that a person who was at least: (1) 16 years of age at the time the person committed murder may be sentenced to life imprisonment without parole; and (2) 18 years of age at the time the person committed murder may be sentenced to death or life imprisonment without parole. (Current law allows a person who was at least 16 years of age at the time the person committed murder to be sentenced to death or life imprisonment without parole.) Specifies that if a person: (1) was less than less than 18 years of age at the time the person committed murder; (2) was sentenced to death for committing the murder; and (3)

is awaiting execution of the death sentence, the person's death sentence is commuted to a sentence of life imprisonment without parole.

#### HB 1899: (LS 8139) Harris (DI:58) Insurance tax rate reduction.

Reduces the insurance premium tax from 2% to 1.3% over a five year phase-in period.

## **HB 1900:** (LS 7039) Smith V (DI:76) Cultural diversity training and corrections.

Requires the law enforcement training board to implement a cultural diversity awareness course that must be required for every person accepted for training at a law enforcement training school or academy. Requires the department of correction to conduct a training program on cultural diversity awareness for each employee of the department who has contact with incarcerated persons.

# HB 1901: (LS 7236) Smith V (DI:71) Federal block grant money for education.

Annually appropriates from the federal welfare block grant program an amount sufficient to pay 50% of the costs to township trustees of a program that provides adult education or classes at Ivy Tech State College to poor relief recipients. Requires a township that receives funds from the state for the education programs to reduce the township tax levy for the following year by a percentage that will reduce the total proceeds of the tax levy by an amount equal to the amount received from the state for the education programs.

HB 1902: (LS 7126) Porter (DI:73)

#### Transfer tuition.

Allows a school corporation to enter into an agreement to pay transfer tuition to a nonprofit corporation that educates children who have been placed in a health care facility or child care facility under certain circumstances. Adds provisions allowing a student who is placed in a state licensed private or public health care or child care facility by a parent or guardian to attend school in the school corporation in which the facility is located if the placement is projected to be for at least 14 consecutive days or at least an aggregate of 20 days. (Current law requires the placement to be for at least four weeks.) Provides that placement must be recommended by a physician.

#### HB 1903: (LS 7228) Porter (DI:76) Juvenile and criminal matters.

Provides that whenever the department of correction notifies a court that awarded guardianship of a child to the department of the department's decision to release the child from custody, the court may request that the department reconsider its decision, provided that the court's request is submitted in writing within a specified period. Requires the department of correction to notify the court of its final decision regarding the child's release not more than ten days after the department receives the court's request to reconsider. Allows a court to impose certain reasonable conditions upon a child's actions or behavior, including home detention, electronic monitoring, curfew restrictions, and other specified reasonable conditions, before releasing from custody a child who is alleged to be a delinquent child. Adds attempt of certain serious offenses to the list

of offenses for which a court may award guardianship of a child to the department of correction. Makes the possession of cocaine or a narcotic drug while also in possession of a firearm a nonsuspendible Class C felony.

# HB 1904: (LS 8093) Porter (DI:75) Blind School and Deaf School governance.

Establishes the Indiana School for the Blind and the Indiana School for the Deaf as separate agencies independent from the state department of health. Provides for administration of each school by a school board appointed by the governor. Provides that each school is the purchasing agency for the school for purchases under an amount fixed by statute. Gives the superintendent of each school and the school's board of directors certain powers relating to employees of the school. Provides for appointment of the initial board of directors for each school and transition from administration by the state department of health to administration by the board of directors of each school. Provides that a representative of each of the school boards must be a member of the state advisory council on the education of children with disabilities. Makes conforming amendments.

# HB 1905: (LS 8144) Porter (DI:2) School improvement grants.

Establishes a school improvement grant program composed of four grant programs:
(1) ADM grants to school corporations for school improvement; (2) Baldridge Program pilot project grants to school corporations; (3) professional development match grants to school corporations and accredited

colleges and universities in Indiana; and (4) the Indiana best practices research center grant. Establishes procedures for applying for grants and the awarding of grants. Appropriates \$30,000,000 from the state general fund in the 1999-2001 biennium for all of the grant programs.

# HB 1906: (LS 7644) Kuzman (DI:75) Design-build public works projects.

Authorizes a public agency to enter into a design-build contract for public works projects. Establishes the procedures for solicitation and award of a design-build contract.

#### HB 1907: (LS 8205) Kuzman (DI:73) Fire protection districts.

Provides that the property tax levy limits do not apply to property taxes imposed by a fire protection district for a cumulative firefighting building and equipment fund.

# HB 1908: (LS 7839) Kuzman (DI:69) Composting and vegetative matter.

Removes an exception to the restriction on disposal of vegetative matter in solid waste landfills that allowed grass and certain vegetative matter to be disposed of in solid waste landfills. Allows the state solid waste management fund to provide grants to implement the composting facility development grant program. Establishes the composting facility development grant program to be run by the department of environmental management. Describes the requirements for applying for and receiving grants from the program.

# HB 1909: (LS 8024) Kuzman (DI:44) Brownfield remediation and redevelopment.

Requires the department of commerce to use money remaining in the enterprise zone fund at the end of a fiscal year to provide grants to enterprise zones for brownfield remediation and redevelopment activities. Provides that an application for assistance from the environmental remediation revolving loan program is required to include an opinion of bond counsel only if the assistance being sought is a loan. Permits the Indiana development finance authority to deposit appropriations and other money received under the environmental remediation revolving loan program into a subaccount of the environmental remediation revolving loan fund for the purpose of providing forgivable loans to political subdivisions for brownfield remediation and redevelopment. Appropriates \$5,000,000 to the fund from the state general fund for the biennium beginning July 1, 1999.

#### HB 1910: (LS 8201) Espich (DI:58) Community health center grants.

Requires an existing community health center or an entity that wants to become a community health center to apply to the state department of health to receive part of the appropriation for the biennium. Provides specific requirements the community health center or the entity must meet to qualify for a grant. Requires the state department of health to review the requirements of current state health programs to identify opportunities to pool program funds to leverage comprehensive health care services to the working poor.

#### HB 1911: (LS 6006) Espich (DI:51) Theft by lessee.

Specifies that proof that a person retained possession of rented or leased personal property after receipt of a lawful written demand for its return is evidence that the person exerted unauthorized control over the property for purposes of the theft and criminal conversion statutes.

#### HB 1912: (LS 7597) Espich (DI:92) Holocaust settlement awards.

Exempts from the Indiana individual adjusted gross income tax amounts received as a Holocaust settlement payment and included in an individual's adjusted gross income for federal income tax purposes. Excludes a Holocaust victim's settlement payment from the eligibility considerations of the following programs: (1) AFDC. (2) Supplemental assistance for the blind, aged, and disabled. (3) Township poor relief. (4) Hospital care for the indigent. (5) Destitute children. (6) Medicaid. (7) Residential care assistance. (8) Energy assistance.

#### HB 1913: (LS 7130) Espich (DI:92) Sales tax on motor vehicles.

Provides that the value of a manufacturer's rebate is exempt from the Indiana gross retail tax in a motor vehicle sales transaction if the rebate is assigned to the dealer.

# HB 1914: (LS 7129) Espich (DI:92) Inventory property taxes.

Provides a credit against state tax liability for property taxes paid on inventory.

HB 1915: (LS 7471) Espich (DI:73)

#### Rainy day fund; tax payments.

Provides that before money is transferred from the counter-cyclical revenue and economic stabilization (rainy day) fund to the property tax replacement fund, the balance of the rainy day fund must exceed 7% of the revenues for both the state general fund and the property tax replacement fund (rather than exceeding 7% of just the state general fund revenues). Provides that gross income taxes and adjusted gross income taxes are to be paid in the month following the end of each calendar quarter. Allows the department of state revenue to prescribe the payment dates for taxpayers using a fiscal year. (These changes restore the pre-1993 law.) Repeals certain gross income tax provisions that applied only to taxable years ending before January 1, 1998.

#### HB 1916: (LS 7012) Espich (DI:58) State spending cap.

Provides a control on state expenditures based on the change in gross Indiana nonfarm personal income as reported by the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis. Requires the budget agency to determine and publish each even-numbered year the Indiana nonfarm personal income growth index (the IPI growth index) in the Indiana Register. Provides for emergency expenditures. Provides for mandatory reductions in expenditures.

# HB 1917: (LS 7975) Espich (DI:58) Civil property tax levies.

Provides that, in determining a civil taxing unit's maximum property tax levy, the minimum increase in the unit's assessed

value growth quotient is equal to the lesser of the rate of inflation (determined according to the Gross Domestic Product implicit price deflator prepared by the United States Department of Commerce) or 4%. (Current law provides that the minimum increase in the assessed value growth quotient is 5%.) Provides that for property taxes first due and payable in 2000 and 2001, a civil taxing unit may not impose a property tax rate that is greater than the property tax rate imposed by the civil taxing unit for property taxes first due and payable in 1999. Provides that this rate limit does not apply to property tax rates imposed for a unit's debt service fund or to pay any other bond or lease obligations.

# HB 1918: (LS 8200) Sturtz (DI:92) Electronic gaming devices.

Requires the state lottery commission to issue licenses: (1) for certain veterans organizations and fraternal associations to conduct gambling operations with electronic gaming devices; and (2) to persons that distribute these electronic gaming devices. Establishes qualifications and procedures for persons to obtain licenses. Specifies certain licensure fees. Imposes a tax on the revenue generated from electronic gaming device operations at the rate of 1% to be paid to the department of state revenue on a quarterly basis. Creates an electronic gaming fund that consists of licensing fees and appropriates to the lottery commission an amount sufficient to cover expenses of administering licensing procedures.

#### HB 1919: (LS 7803) Sturtz (DI:78) Permit accountability time frames.

Requires the commissioner of the

department of environmental management to approve or deny permits: (1) within 150 days for an application for a minor new National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System general permit (current law requires the commissioner to act within 180 days); (2) within 90 days for a permit concerning a wastewater facility or wastewater facility construction (current law requires the commissioner to act within 120 days); and (3) within 50 days for an application concerning certification of special wastes. Requires the commissioner to determine that a permit application is incomplete not later than 35 working days after receiving the application and to determine that a response to a deficiency notice is incomplete not later than 20 days after receiving the response. Requires the environmental quality service council to review permit accountability time frames.

# HB 1920: (LS 8043) Bailey (DI:71) Probationary driver's license.

Allows an individual who holds a probationary license to receive an operator's license: (1) when the individual is at least 18 years of age; and (2) unless in the 12 months that immediately precede the date upon which the individual applies for an operator's license the individual has been convicted of at least two moving traffic offenses.

# HB 1921: (LS 8179) Bailey (DI:73) Rural development appropriation.

Appropriates \$2,000,000 for the biennium beginning July 1, 1999, to the Indiana Rural Development Council for certain rural development purposes.

#### HB 1922: (LS 7599) Cheney (DI:2) Academic honors scholarship.

Establishes the academic honors diploma scholarship program to provide an \$800 tuition scholarship at state operated institutions of higher learning to students who graduate from high school with an academic honors diploma. Provides that the \$800 academic honors diploma award that a school corporation currently receives for each student who graduates with an academic honors diploma may be used by the school corporation for any purpose for which other funds of the school corporation may be used but may not be granted to the students who complete the honors diploma program.

# HB 1923: (LS 7862) Cheney (DI:96) State minimum wage.

Increases the state minimum wage to the level of the federal minimum wage.

# HB 1924: (LS 8023) Cheney (DI:88) Medical records privacy.

Provides that an employee has the right to examine and receive a copy of the employee's medical records. Provides a mechanism by which an employee may request and provide corrections to the employee's medical records. Requires that an entity possessing an employee's medical records not collect, use, or disclose the employee's personal health information except under certain circumstances. Provides circumstances under which an entity possessing an employee's medical records may disclose the information contained in the medical records without the employee's consent. Requires the entity to keep a record

of each disclosure for five years. Provides circumstances under which an entity possessing an employee's medical records may disclose information contained in the medical records to a research organization without the employee's consent. Provides specific civil penalties and criminal penalties that apply to an entity possessing an employee's medical records or to a research organization that knowingly or intentionally obtains an employee's personal health information or discloses an employee's personal health information to another person for reasons other than those provided by law.

# HB 1925: (LS 6962) Cheney (DI:76) Citations for smoking on school property.

Authorizes a teacher or school administrator to issue a citation to a person who is less than 18 years of age for unlawful possession of tobacco if the alleged violation occurs on or within 1,000 feet of school property. Establishes procedures for the teacher or school administrator to follow when issuing the citation. Requires each citation to be issued on a written citation form approved by the state police department. Requires the principal of the school to forward a copy of any citation that is issued to the local prosecuting attorney's office. Provides that a teacher is entitled to be absent from work with pay whenever the teacher is summoned to testify in court about a minor's alleged unlawful possession of tobacco on or near school property. Requires the state to reimburse a school corporation for the costs of a substitute teacher who is hired as the result of the teacher's absence from work to testify about the smoking violation.

# **HB 1926:** (LS 7038) Cheney (DI:92) CHOICE funding.

Appropriates to the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services funds from the state general fund necessary to provide community and home care services to every eligible individual.

# HB 1927: (LS 7923) Cheney (DI:73) Living wage requirements.

Defines "living wage". Adds living wage, holiday pay, and health insurance requirements to the requirements for enterprise zone credits, economic revitalization area deductions, neighborhood assistance credits, EDGE credits, and job training funds for projects that primarily benefit an identifiable employer. Provides that a granting body may not approve an application for development assistance after June 30, 1999, unless the applicant pays all of its employees at least a living wage and provides holiday pay and certain health insurance coverage. Makes mandatory a statement of benefits regarding living wages, holiday pay, and health insurance coverage in an enterprise zone credit application. Provides that governmental units may not enter into certain purchasing or public works contracts unless the contractor pays its employees a living wage and provides holiday pay and certain health insurance coverage. Limits the uses of funding for comprehensive job training and related services to projects that hire employees at a living wage and that provide holiday pay and certain health insurance coverage. For purposes of governmental purchasing of supplies, provides a price preference of 20% for supplies that are purchased from a person that pays all of its employees at least a living wage and provides holiday pay and certain health insurance coverage. Prohibits the state or a political subdivision from entering into a public-private agreement with an operator unless the operator pays its employees a living wage and provides holiday pay and certain health insurance coverage. Provides that an employee who is paid less than a living wage or is not provided holiday pay or certain health insurance coverage is not bound by the terms of a covenant not to compete under certain conditions.

# HB 1928: (LS 7895) Cheney (DI:96) School corporation employees worker's compensation benefits.

Provides that an individual employed by a school corporation who performs secondary casual employment during the hours that the employee is not scheduled to work for the school corporation is not included in the definition of employee for worker's compensation purposes. Provides for continuation of health care benefits when a teacher or employee of a school corporation has exhausted health care benefits under worker's compensation.

#### HB 1929: (LS 8208) Espich (DI:44) Biomedical research fund.

Establishes the Indiana biomedical research fund for the purpose of providing grants to support biomedical research by Indiana based private researchers and faculty of Indiana colleges and universities. Establishes the Indiana biomedical research investment oversight commission to administer the fund. Provides that the commission and the fund expire July 1.

2004. Appropriates \$125,000,000 to the fund.

#### HB 1930: (LS 7507) Espich (DI:73) CAGIT and COIT distributions.

Provides that property tax replacement credits and certified shares from county adjusted gross income tax (CAGIT) revenue and distributive shares from county option income tax (COIT) revenue are distributed based on a unit's maximum permissible property tax levy, rather than the unit's proportional share of property tax levies imposed in the county.

# HB 1931: (LS 7985) Espich (DI:58) School general fund shortfalls.

Provides additional state tuition support distributions to school corporations that experience a loss in general fund revenue due to assessed value estimates or refunds from appeals. Requires the school corporation to apply for the grant within one year after experiencing the shortfall. Appropriates the money needed for grants from the state general fund.

# HB 1932: (LS 7981) Espich (DI:58) Flexible grants for schools.

Creates a grant program for elementary and secondary schools that combines the money appropriated for various individual programs. Permits the school corporation to determine the allocation of the money among the various programs that were formerly funded with specific grants.

Repeals the following existing specific grants: (1) ADA flat grant. (2) Alternative schools grant. (3) Computer learning and training. (4) Early intervention and reading

recovery. (5) Education services centers. (6) Education technology and the 4Rs program. (7) Gifted and talented education. (8) Innovative school improvements. (9) Primetime. (10) Professional development grants. (11) Remediation, excluding testing. (12) School libraries. (13) Special education preschool. (14) Summer school. (15) Technical preparation programs. (16) Textbook and financial assistance reimbursement. Authorizes school corporations to use the newly created general grant for the following: (1) Alternative schools. (2) Class size reduction. (3) Computer learning and training. (4) Early intervention and reading recovery. (5) Education services center support. (6) Gifted and talented children. (7) Professional development. (8) Remediation. (9) School improvements. (10) School libraries. (11) Special education preschool. (12) Summer school. (13) Technology programs. (14) Textbooks and financial assistance. (15) The 4Rs program.

# HB 1933: (LS 8202) Espich (DI:92) County land valuation commission.

Reestablishes the county valuation commission with the commission's pre-1997 membership. Provides that the county property tax assessment board of appeals shall review and modify the land values determined by the land valuation commission.

#### HB 1934: (LS 8137) Pelath (DI:51) State costs for housing felons in county jails.

Requires full funding of contracts for housing felons committed to the department of correction in a county jail. Codifies standards related to the transport of felons to the department of correction, which were enacted in a noncode provision of P.L.260-1997 (the 1997 budget bill).

# HB 1935: (LS 7688) Pelath (DI:2) Regulation of access to bodies of water.

Provides that a unit may regulate access to a body of water over which the unit does not have jurisdiction if the access land is within the unit's jurisdiction and the regulation is for the purpose of preventing swimming in the body of water when swimming is hazardous to personal safety.

# HB 1936: (LS 7601) Bodiker (DI:94) Access to wage and employment information.

Allows the department of workforce development to contract with a private entity to allow the private entity to provide secure electronic access to employment and wage information regarding employees. Requires a creditor to have a written consent from the employee before obtaining the information. Requires the private entity that contracts with the department of workforce development to pay the costs of implementing and administering the program.

# HB 1937: (LS 6011) Smith V (DI:96) Installation of treated windows in motor vehicles.

Provides that a person may not cover or tint a motor vehicle window in a manner that makes operation of the vehicle a violation of Indiana law. Provides an exception when the covering or tinting is done for medical purposes.

HB 1938: (LS 7603) Smith V (DI:92)

#### Excise tax on recreational vehicles.

Provides that recreational vehicles are subject to a recreational vehicle excise tax instead of the ad valorem property tax on personal property.

#### HB 1939: (LS 7138) Smith V (DI:87) Use of sick days for insurance premiums.

Entitles an employee of a state agency (other than an employee of a state educational institution, a state elected official's office, or the legislative and judicial branches of state government) who is not eligible for Medicare coverage to convert unused sick days that accrued before retirement for the payment of state sponsored health insurance coverage for the employee or the employee's spouse. Provides that if an employee retires after June 30, 1999, and before the state personnel department adopts rules to allow the conversion of sick days, the employee is entitled to compensation for all unused sick days accrued before retirement.

#### HB 1940: (LS 7383) Buell (DI:87) Cash conversion of unused sick days.

Entitles an employee of a state agency who resigns or retires with at least ten years of creditable service to be paid for a percentage of the employee's accrued but unused sick days.

#### HB 1941: (LS 7953) Thompson (DI:69) Operating while intoxicated and juveniles.

Specifies that a juvenile court must recommend the immediate suspension of a child's driving privileges if the child is alleged to have committed an act that would be an offense under the law concerning operating a vehicle while intoxicated if committed by an adult. Specifies that a juvenile court must, in addition to any other order or decree the court makes, recommend the suspension of a child's driving privileges if the child is a delinquent child due to the commission of a delinquent act that, if committed by an adult, would be an offense under the law concerning operating a vehicle while intoxicated.

### HB 1942: (LS 8032) Thompson (DI:75) County voter registration information.

Authorizes the Indiana election commission to impose a civil penalty of \$50 for each day that a county voter registration office fails to provide the election division with voter registration information as required by Indiana law.

#### HB 1943: (LS 7212) Thompson (DI:98) Detention of minors violating alcohol laws.

Provides that a child alleged to be a delinquent child for violating the laws concerning minors and alcoholic beverages may be placed in a juvenile detention facility for up to 48 hours.

# HB 1944: (LS 7885) Foley (DI:92) Build Indiana fund appropriations.

Makes the following appropriations from the build Indiana fund: (1) \$25,000 to the Washington Township fire department in Morgan County; (2) \$25,000 to the Nineveh volunteer fire department in Johnson County; (3) \$50,000 to the town of Bargersville; and (4) \$50,000 to the Clay Township fire department in Morgan County.

# HB 1945: (LS 7621) Smith V (DI:71) Entrepreneurship training for teachers.

Creates the Indiana institute for entrepreneurship education within Ball State University to foster the growth and development of entrepreneurship education in Indiana. Provides that the institute is governed by a 15 member board. Sets forth the powers and responsibilities of the institute.

# HB 1946: (LS 6573) Cheney (DI:2) Education programs.

Provides that the money received from the sale of education license plates is distributed only to educational foundations or school corporations. (Under current law, 25% of the money received funds the school intervention and career counseling development program and fund.) Provides that the department of education may not grant waivers of teacher certification requirements for purposes of school alternative programs. Establishes the school conflict resolution grant program and fund, administered by the department of education, to provide money for school corporations to develop and implement programs that teach conflict management skills to students. Establishes the safe schools educational grant program and fund, administered by the department of education, to provide money for school corporations to develop and implement educational programs during the school day that promote safety in schools. Increases the maximum annual state grant per student enrolled in an alternative education program. Eliminates the local match requirement for state grants to school corporations for

alternative education programs. Uses program enrollment rather than attendance in the computation of the number of full-time equivalent students for which the state alternative education grant provides reimbursement. For the 1999-2001 biennium, appropriates from the state general fund \$6,000,000 to the school intervention and career counseling and development program, \$20,000,000 to the school conflict resolution grant fund, and \$10,000,000 to the safe schools educational grant fund. Increases by \$22,000,000 the 1998-1999 biennial appropriation to the department of education for alternative schools.

# HB 1947: (LS 7600) Denbo (DI:47) Offenders housed in private prisons.

Requires a private organization that houses prisoners for the department of correction to maintain adequate records concerning each prisoner committed to the private prison or other facility.

#### HB 1948: (LS 6350) Denbo (DI:2) Student instructional time.

Provides that a maximum of two days for parent and teacher conferences and two days for staff development activities count as student instructional days for purposes of the required 180 day school year. Requires the department of education to grant to a school corporation a waiver of two student instructional days from the required 180 day school year if the school superintendent cancels the days because of inclement weather.

HB 1949: (LS 7241) Denbo (DI:2) Education technical and style revisions.

Makes technical corrections and style changes in the Indiana Code concerning education.

#### HB 1950: (LS 8213) Crooks (DI:51) Private correctional facilities.

Requires private correctional facilities to comply with operational and construction standards established by the department of correction. Provides that a private correctional facility must reimburse the state and political subdivisions for any expenses incurred to locate, apprehend, and transport a committed person who escapes from a private correctional facility.

#### HB 1951: (LS 7909) Welch (DI:77) Dental anesthesia.

Requires health insurance and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for certain anesthesia and hospital charges for dental procedures.

# **HB 1952:** (LS 8008) Summers (DI:92) Smart growth land conservation.

Prevents various state agencies from funding growth related projects in certain areas. Establishes the Indiana smart growth council. Establishes the Hoosier legacy fund to provide matching funds to eligible projects under the United States Department of Agriculture's farmland preservation and forest legacy programs. Requires the state board of tax commissioners to give priority to school construction projects that: (1) renovate or expand existing school buildings; (2) serve existing neighborhoods; (3) do not convert or contribute to the conversion of agricultural lands; and (4) do not require new water or sewer

infrastructure. Provides a tax credit for job creation in certain municipal areas.

### HB 1953: (LS 8087) Summers (DI:98) Early childhood development institute.

Establishes the early childhood development institute. Provides that the institute is governed by a 25 member board appointed by the governor. Establishes the child development associate credential and professional scholarship fund. Appropriates \$500,000 from July 1, 1999, to June 30, 2000, and \$500,000 from July 1, 2000, to June 30, 2001, to carry out the purpose of the institute. Appropriates \$1,000,000 from July 1, 1999, to June 30, 2000, and \$1,000,000 from July 1, 2000, to June 30, 2001, to carry out the purpose of the scholarship.

#### HB 1954: (LS 8107) Summers (DI:98) Domestic violence.

Requires a noncustodial parent's visitation with a child to be supervised if the noncustodial parent has been convicted of battery involving domestic violence or has demonstrated a pattern of domestic violence. Establishes a specific schedule for visitation after the conclusion of supervised visitation. Provides that the visitation provisions apply to both dissolution of marriage and paternity cases. Prohibits a court from releasing a defendant on personal recognizance if the defendant is charged with an offense involving domestic violence. Makes conforming changes.

# HB 1955: (LS 7337) Bodiker (DI:94) School district rezoning.

Provides that a school corporation located in

an area zoned by a county and annexed or incorporated by a municipality must approve a change in zoning within the school corporation district if the change in zoning is attempted by a municipality or through a municipal board of zoning appeals and the school corporation determines the change in zoning will adversely affect the school corporation population or finances.

#### HB 1956: (LS 7899) Duncan (DI:71) Parking for persons with disabilities.

Requires the bureau of motor vehicles to conduct a study concerning topics related to parking placards for persons with physical disabilities.

#### HB 1957: (LS 7649) Yount (DI:96) Employment certificates.

Raises from 18 years to 19 years, the age after which an employment certificate for a student is no longer necessary. Provides that an employment certificate may be issued to a full-time student less than 19 years of age who has not completed twelfth grade, who has passing grades in core subjects, and attendance in good standing at the school. Provides that an issuing officer may issue two employment certificates to a student if: (1) the total number of hours per week that the student works does not exceed the maximum allowed by law; and (2) each employment certificate states the maximum number of hours per week the student may work at the location for which the employment certificate is issued. Provides that a full-time student who is at least 16 years of age may work only 20 hours in a week when school is in session and may work only until 9 p.m. when school is in

session. Provides that if these provisions are in conflict with a cooperative program between a school corporation and an employer of labor for school directed vocational education, the terms of the cooperative program apply.

#### HB 1958: (LS 7196) Friend (DI:75) Broadcast of intercollegiate athletic competitions.

Prohibits a state educational institution from entering into a contract for the broadcast of an intercollegiate athletic competition involving athletes enrolled at the institution if the broadcast is not generally available throughout Indiana. Allows an individual resident of Indiana to file an action in court to determine if a contract violates the statute. Provides that if the court finds a contract violates the statute, the state educational institution must pay all monetary consideration received from the contract to the auditor of state for deposit in the common school fund.

# HB 1959: (LS 8101) Friend (DI:94) Agricultural finance.

Appropriates \$3,000,000 to the Indiana development finance authority for agricultural development programs.

#### HB 1960: (LS 8160) Friend (DI:78) Shooting preserves.

Allows a person licensed by the department of natural resources to establish and operate a shooting preserve to propagate and offer white tail deer for hunting. Requires a person who wants to operate a licensed shooting preserve and who owns a contiguous tract of land containing an area of not less than 100 acres and not more than

1,000 acres to apply to the department of natural resources for a license. (Under current law, a license is required for a shooting preserve on a tract of land that is not less than 100 acres and not more than 640 acres.) Makes other conforming amendments.

#### HB 1961: (LS 6337) Friend (DI:101) Acquiring historical sites by eminent domain.

Relocates the following provisions in the Indiana Code from Title 23 to Title 36: (1) that cities and towns may acquire and hold battlegrounds or other historic sites for maintaining or improving them for historical purposes; (2) that title to property so acquired may be taken under eminent domain; and (3) that property so acquired is exempt from property taxation. Repeals a provision permitting nonprofit corporations to acquire property by eminent domain. Updates a cross reference to the repealed provision.

# HB 1962: (LS 8203) Dvorak (DI:73) Petition and remonstrance procedures.

Provides that the petition and remonstrance provisions do not apply to a proposal to issue debt or enter into a lease for a project that would otherwise be a controlled project if the fiscal body of the political subdivision determines in a public hearing that: (1) the proposed project must be undertaken to comply with a specific requirement that a court order holds is mandated by federal law; and (2) there is not a reasonable alternative to the proposed project that has a lower cost than the proposed project and that would satisfy the specific requirements of the court order. (Current law exempts from

the petition and remonstrance provisions a project that is required by a court order holding that a federal law mandates the project.) Provides for a petition of the fiscal body's determination to the state board of tax commissioners.

#### HB 1963: (LS 7391) Dvorak (DI:76) Sex offender residence restrictions.

Requires certain sex and violent offenders who are on parole to register with local law enforcement authorities. Provides that as a condition of probation or parole, certain sex and violent offenders are prohibited from residing within 1,000 feet of school property unless the offender obtains written court approval. Requires the court to notify each school within 1,000 feet of the offender's residence if the court grants the approval.

# **HB 1964:** (**LS 8065**) Cook (**DI:76**) Lawsuits by inmates.

Requires an indigent person, who is confined to the department of correction and who is unable to pay the required fees or other court costs upon commencement of a civil action or proceeding, to pay a partial filing fee from the person's prisoner trust fund account. Specifies that process concerning the person's case may not be served until the partial filing fee is paid. Provides that the department of correction shall deprive a committed person, not to include a person who has been released on parole, of: (1) not more than 180 days of credit time; and (2) certain privileges; if a court determines that a civil action or proceeding brought by the person in a state or an administrative court is frivolous, unreasonable, or groundless.

# **HB 1965:** (LS 8063) Cook (DI:100) Chiropractors.

Requires a chiropractor to complete at least 400 hours of classroom instruction in spinal manipulation or adjustment and at least 800 hours of supervised clinical training at an accredited facility where spinal manipulation or adjustment is a primary method of treatment. Provides that a chiropractor may use any instrument or procedure to practice chiropractic if the chiropractor is trained to use the instrument and perform the procedure through a chiropractic school or college approved by the board of chiropractic examiners. Allows a chiropractor to use physical therapy techniques in the practice of chiropractic. Provides that a chiropractor is presumed to be competent to testify as an expert witness if the court is satisfied that the information is of the type reasonably relied upon by other chiropractors. Prohibits an athletic trainer or a physical therapist from performing spinal manipulation or spinal adjustment.

# HB 1966: (LS 7821) Cook (DI:94) Contract carriers transporting railroad employees.

Requires contract carriers that transport railroad employees to meet certain license and safety standards.

# HB 1967: (LS 8178) Kromkowski (DI:75) Campaign finance.

Provides that a candidate's committee may not transfer more than \$20,000 to another candidate's committee during a calendar year or upon dissolution. Requires the appropriate election board to assess a civil penalty equal to two times the amount of

transfers over \$20,000 for a violation. Provides that a candidate for a state office, a legislative office, or a local office may not accept contributions derived from contributions made to a candidate for federal office of more than \$20,000 in a calendar year. Requires the appropriate election board to impose a civil penalty equal to two times any amount over \$20,000 that a candidate receives from federal contributions. Provides that a political action committee may not make aggregate contributions of more than \$5,000 to all candidates for a state office during the period before the nomination date of the candidates or during the period between the nomination date and December 31 following the general election. Provides that a political action committee may not make aggregate contributions of more than \$1,000 to all candidates for a local office or a legislative office during the period before the nomination date of the candidates or during the period between the nomination date and December 31 following the general election. Provides that an individual may not make aggregate contributions of more than \$5,000 to all candidates for a state office during the period before the nomination date of the candidates or during the period between the nomination date and December 31 following the general election. Provides that an individual may not make aggregate contributions of more than \$1,000 to all candidates for a local office or a legislative office during the period before the nomination date of the candidates or during the period between the nomination date and December 31 following the general election. Attributes contributions made by an unemancipated individual who is less than 18 years of age to the individual's legal guardians. Provides that a violation of the

contribution limitations by an individual or a political action committee is a Class B misdemeanor. Requires the election division to make campaign finance reports on the campaign finance report data base available promptly to the public in a searchable format. Requires an additional campaign finance report to be filed current and dated as of September 1 of each year. Requires a campaign finance report to report the name of a contributor's or creditor's employer if the person is an individual who has made aggregate contributions or loans of more than \$1,000 during the calendar year. (Under current law a campaign finance report is required to report only an individual contributor's or creditor's occupation if aggregate contributions or loans exceed \$1,000.) Repeals the existing large contribution reporting statute and replaces it with a large contribution statute based on federal law. Provides that a large contribution report may be filed by fax.

#### HB 1968: (LS 7183) Kromkowski (DI:97) Retiree health insurance under the rule of 85.

Provides that a public employee who is a member of the public employees' retirement fund, retires when the employee is at least 55 years old and whose age in years plus years of service is at least 85, and who is not eligible for Medicare may receive group health insurance benefits from a public employer if the employee meets any additional eligibility criteria and pays an amount equal to the amount paid by an active employee for the insurance.

HB 1969: (LS 8134) Bardon (DI:51) Consolidated city audits.

Requires the state board of accounts to audit the city of Indianapolis and the Marion County capital improvements board. Allows these entities to engage a private auditor to perform additional audits of the entities.

#### **HB 1970:** (LS 7005) Bardon (DI:51) Sex offenders.

Imposes a Class A misdemeanor on a sex offender who visits or lives within 1,000 feet of a school or a city, town, or county park. Allows the state to seek to have a person sentenced to life imprisonment without parole if the person has two unrelated felony convictions for: (1) kidnaping, if the victim is less than 18 years of age; (2) criminal confinement, if the victim is less than 18 years of age; (3) rape, if the victim is less than 18 years of age; (4) criminal deviate conduct, if the victim is less than eighteen 18 years of age; (5) child molesting; (6) child exploitation; (7) vicarious sexual gratification; (8) child solicitation; (9) child seduction; (10) sexual battery, if the victim is less than 18 years of age; (11) sexual misconduct with a minor as a Class A or Class B felony; or (12) incest, if the victim is less than 18 years of age.

# HB 1971: (LS 6858) Bardon (DI:100) State board of dental examiners.

Changes the deadline for filing an application to take the dental hygiene and dental examinations from 30 to 45 days before the examination. Changes the name of the state board of dental examiners to the state board of dentistry.

# **HB 1972:** (LS **8168**) Bardon (DI:71) School safety.

Establishes the governor's council on safe schools. Requires each school corporation to designate a school safety specialist for the school corporation. Provides that a county may establish a county school safety commission, and requires the county commission to develop a school safety plan for each school corporation represented by the commission. Provides that a school corporation may apply for a grant from the safe school fund for school safety, emergency preparedness, or safe haven programs. Establishes a school safety specialist training and certification program within the Indiana criminal justice institute. During the 1999-2001 biennium, appropriates: (1) \$8,000,000 annually to the criminal justice institute for safe haven, emergency preparedness, and school safety programs; (2) \$750,000 annually to the criminal justice institute for the school safety specialist training and certification program; and (3) \$2,000 for the first year to each school corporation for its use in developing a school safety plan.

#### HB 1973: (LS 6855) Bardon (DI:98) Division of mental health.

Changes the name of the division of mental health to the division of addiction and mental health services.

### HB 1974: (LS 7110) Avery (DI:51) Costs of juvenile detention and probation.

Requires the state to reimburse counties for 50% of: (1) the salaries of juvenile court employees filling a new probation officer position created after June 30, 1999; and (2) the costs of housing juvenile delinquents in a juvenile detention center or a shelter care

facility.

#### HB 1975: (LS 7125) Avery (DI:58) Income tax exemption.

Exempts an individual (or the individual and the individual's spouse, in the case of a joint return) from the adjusted gross income tax if the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income does not exceed \$10,000.

# HB 1976: (LS 8195) Avery (DI:78) Pesticide use by schools and day care centers.

Requires the governing body of a day care center, preschool, or school to designate a contact person. Requires the contact person to provide certain information about pesticide use to each student, a parent or guardian of each student, and each staff member. Requires the contact person to keep a pesticide notification list and to notify each person on the list not less than 48 hours before a planned use of pesticides and not more than 24 hours after an emergency use of pesticides. Requires the department of education to notify schools of the need for notice concerning pesticide applications. Includes pest eradication as a service that may be regulated for the use of environmental marketing claims. Instructs the department of environmental management to study integrated pest management and make recommendations to the general assembly and the governor and establishes the integrated pest management program advisory council to advise the department of environmental management on the department's study and recommendations.

#### HB 1977: (LS 7665) Klinker (DI:2) Kindergarten through grade 12 standards and

#### assessments.

Requires the development by the department of education, review by the state standards task force, and adoption by the Indiana state board of education of state standards for English/language arts, mathematics, social studies, science, and other subject areas determined by the department of education. Requires the adoption of standards for all grade levels from kindergarten through grade 12 that can be compared with national and international standards. Requires the department of education acting through the school corporations to distribute these standards to the parent of each student in a school corporation.

#### HB 1978: (LS 7414) Klinker (DI:92) Tax credits for enterprise zone training and jobs.

Establishes a certified school to career program. Provides a credit against state tax liability for wages paid to a participant in a certified school to career program. Provides a credit against state tax liability for expenses incurred to train employees who reside in an enterprise zone. Provides a credit against state tax liability for jobs created at locations within an enterprise zone.

# HB 1979: (LS 8199) Klinker (DI:2) LIFE scholarship program.

Establishes the Indiana lifelong learning incentive for excellence (LIFE) scholarship program to provide scholarships to Indiana residents for postsecondary education. Provides for administration of the program by the state student assistance commission. Sets forth the amount of a scholarship award, subject to appropriations of the

general assembly. Provides eligibility criteria for potential recipients to meet.

# HB 1980: (LS 7921) Klinker (DI:92) Conforming amendments for college savings plan.

Amends the Indiana family college savings programs law to conform with federal law.

#### HB 1981: (LS 7242) Klinker (DI:2) Twenty-first century scholars eligibility.

Provides that a student who has a family income level of 200% or less of the federal income poverty level is eligible to participate in the twenty-first century scholars program.

# HB 1982: (LS 6121) Klinker (DI:2) Hoosier education loan program for scholars.

Provides a refundable income tax credit to assist in repaying student loans for certain persons who graduate with a B average from Indiana high schools and Indiana institutions of higher learning. Provides this credit for each of the five years following graduation, if the graduate resides and is employed in Indiana. Establishes the annual amount of the credit at \$1,200 for a graduate of a state institution and \$1,500 for a graduate of a nonprofit institution. Provides for administration of the program by the state student assistance commission and funding from lottery revenues.

#### HB 1983: (LS 8143) Klinker (DI:73) Enterprise zones.

Adds six members to the enterprise zone board. Provides that revenue from the enterprise zone registration fee may be used for urban enterprise association projects and project administration support. Provides that if an enterprise zone business does not, before July 16, file the required verified summary of tax credits and tax exemptions claimed during the preceding year, the zone business waives those credits and exemptions unless it pays a penalty equal to 25% of the credits and exemptions provided during the preceding year. Provides that the enterprise zone board, an urban enterprise association, the department of state revenue, the department of commerce, the state board of tax commissioners, county auditors, and township assessors shall, upon request, provide each other with records and information (including records and information that are otherwise confidential) that concern an individual or business that is receiving a tax deduction, exemption, or credit related to an enterprise zone. Provides that a person who receives these confidential records or information and knowingly or intentionally discloses the records or information to an unauthorized person commits a Class A misdemeanor. Provides that if a business has an option to purchase or lease land or other real property in an enterprise zone or owns or leases land or other real property in an enterprise zone, the business is entitled to a relocation disqualification hearing. Provides that a pass through entity is a taxpayer for purposes of allowing: (1) a pass through entity to take an enterprise zone employment expense credit; (2) a qualified employee of a pass through entity to take an enterprise zone employee wage deduction; and (3) a pass through entity or corporation to take an enterprise zone investment cost credit. Provides that a person who resides in an enterprise zone and is an employee of a nonprofit entity or local, state, or federal government is eligible for

the qualified employee wage deduction. Allows certain additional enterprise zone investment cost credits related to property that: (1) has environmental contamination; (2) has perceived environmental contamination; or (2) is abandoned or otherwise under used. Allows an enterprise zone investment cost credit for high technology business operations. Allows a nonprofit corporation that is entitled to an enterprise zone investment cost credit to sell or transfer the credit.

# HB 1984: (LS 8141) Klinker (DI:73) Enterprise zones.

Provides a credit against state sales and use tax liability for certain purchases made: (1) by or on behalf of a taxpayer that owns real property in an enterprise zone; (2) from a person whose place of business is within an enterprise zone or a city in which an enterprise zone is located; and (3) for the purpose of the redevelopment or rehabilitation of a business or residence in an enterprise zone. Provides that an individual is entitled to an adjusted gross income tax deduction equal to the amount of qualified increased enterprise zone adjusted gross income received by the individual during the taxable year (including the individual's distributive share of a pass through entity's qualified increased enterprise zone adjusted gross income). Provides a credit against state tax liability for jobs created at locations within an enterprise zone.

#### HB 1985: (LS 7672) Bottorff (DI:73) Economic development.

Provides that information and high

technology infrastructure is eligible for programs under the industrial development fund, the industrial development grant fund, or the industrial development project guaranty fund. Defines high growth companies with high skilled jobs and information and high technology infrastructure. Specifies the amount that the Indiana development finance authority may transfer to the reserve fund under the capital access program in the case of a borrower that is a high growth company with high skilled jobs. Provides that county economic development income tax revenue may be used for the financing of information and high technology infrastructure.

#### HB 1986: (LS 6860) Tincher (DI:73) Pension benefits.

Provides a cost of living adjustment (COLA) in 1999 to members of the public employees' retirement fund (PERF) and members of the Indiana state teachers' retirement fund (TRF) (or their survivors or beneficiaries) who retired or were disabled before July 2, 1997. Provides a COLA in 2000 to members of PERF or TRF (or their survivors or beneficiaries) who retired or were disabled before July 2, 1998. Provides a supplemental "thirteenth check" benefit to retired teachers and certain retired public employees (or their survivors or beneficiaries) on November 1, 1999, and on November 1, 2000.

#### HB 1987: (LS 7896) Tincher (DI:76) Sex offender residency requirements.

Provides that, as a condition of probation or parole, a person who is convicted of a sex offense against a child is prohibited from residing within 2,500 feet of school

property.

#### HB 1988: (LS 7585) Tincher (DI:73) Police officers' pension benefits.

Provides that members of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' retirement and disability fund who are police officers may retire with full benefits at 50 years of age and may retire with reduced benefits at 48 years of age. Provides that the retirement benefit payable to a police officer who is a member of the 1977 fund is based on the average monthly salary earned by the police officer in the three years during which the member's salary was the greatest. Provides that a police officer who is a member of the 1977 fund vests in the fund after ten years of service. Provides that a police officer who is a member of the 1977 fund who is disabled before reaching 50 years of age is entitled to a monthly benefit determined as if the member were retiring at 50 years of age. Provides that 1977 fund benefits payable to a police officer for certain impairments are payable until the member reaches age 50, at which time the member is entitled to receive the retirement benefit payable at 50 years of age. For a police officer who is a member of the 1977 fund, reduces to age 50 the age limit for the calculation of benefits paid for certain impairments, and requires the impaired member's subsequent retirement benefit to be calculated based on full retirement at 50 years of age.

# HB 1989: (LS 7645) Tincher (DI:87) Sick, personal, vacation days for health insurance.

Entitles an employee of a state agency (other than an employee of a state educational institution, a state elected official's office, or the legislative and judicial branches of state government) who is not eligible for Medicare coverage to convert unused sick days, vacation days, and personal days that accrued before retirement for the payment of state sponsored health insurance coverage for the employee or the employee's spouse. Provides that if an employee retires after June 30, 1999, and before the state personnel department adopts rules to allow the conversion of sick days, vacation days, and personal days, the employee is entitled to compensation for all unused sick days, vacation days, and personal days accrued before retirement.

#### HB 1990: (LS 8210) Tincher (DI:51) Tax case procedures.

Provides standards for the certification of a record of the proceedings before the state board of tax commissioners to the tax court. Requires tax court cases involving: (1) the constitutionality of a statute or rule; or (2) a substantial question of great public importance to be heard by a three judge panel. Specifies procedures for cases in the tax court.

#### HB 1991: (LS 8211) Tincher (DI:51) Appeals of tax cases.

Provides standards for the certification of a record of the proceedings before the state board of tax commissioners to the tax court. Specifies procedures for cases in the tax court. Provides that appeals from the tax court may be made to the court of appeals.

# HB 1992: (LS 8001) Tincher (DI:92) Motor vehicle excise tax collections.

Provides that the motor vehicle excise tax is

due and payable to the county treasurer in two installments coinciding with the semiannual installments of property taxes. Establishes payment procedures for vehicle owners who do not pay property taxes. Provides that in the case of a vehicle that has been acquired or brought into the state, or for any other reason becomes subject to registration, the tax is due and payable to the county treasurer of the county of the owner's residence at the time the vehicle is acquired, brought into the state, or otherwise becomes subject to registration. Makes conforming amendments.

# HB 1993: (LS 6274) Buck (DI:73) Elimination of local government property taxes.

Eliminates the authority of a political subdivision to impose an ad valorem property tax levy, except for a property tax levy imposed: (1) by a school corporation; (2) for police and fire services; and (3) for welfare. Eliminates the authority of a political subdivision to impose most special benefit taxes. Limits annual increases in appropriations on a countywide basis to an adjustment factor computed on the basis of increases in population and inflation. Establishes a debt limitation based on the amount of revenue available to a political subdivision. Allows a county income tax council to impose a local option income tax on individuals and corporations. Provides an additional state distribution of 20% of the amount collected from the local option income tax to replace distributions for property tax replacement credits. Distributes the additional revenue to political subdivisions that are prohibited from imposing a property tax levy.

#### HB 1994: (LS 7364) Buck (DI:73) Education finance.

Eliminates the authority of a school corporation to impose a general fund property tax levy for the general operation and maintenance of the school corporation. Eliminates the authority of a school corporation to impose a transportation fund property tax levy. Requires a school corporation to impose a local income tax for education of not more than 1.6%. Limits increases in state expenditures to the lesser of: (1) the increase in inflation and population; or (2) 4%. Limits annual increases in appropriations of political subdivisions, including school corporations, to the lesser of 4% or the percentage changes in population and inflation. Provides a state tuition support formula equal to the difference between: (1) the school corporation's ADM multiplied by \$5,000; and (2) the amount that the school corporation can raise from a local income tax on education of 1.6% and from certain other revenue sources. Establishes the state school reserve fund and appropriates \$150,000,000 to the fund from the state general fund. Terminates the authority of: (1) Lake County to impose a property tax for a county supplemental school distribution fund; (2) Dearborn County to impose a property tax for a county school distribution fund; and (3) a school corporation in Lake County to impose a property tax for a supplemental school operating reserve fund. Continues the authority of a school corporation to impose a property tax levy for certain public libraries, nursery schools, historical societies, art associations, cultural institutions, public playgrounds, and the Children's Museum in Marion County.

Provides a method for calculating the amount of financial institution taxes and excise taxes to be distributed to school corporations after the elimination of the school general fund property tax. Recodifies provisions of current law concerning emergency loans to school corporations and the duty of a school corporation to raise sufficient property tax revenues to repay outstanding bonds and other debt payable from the transportation fund, capital projects fund, or debt service fund.

# HB 1995: (LS 6382) Buck (DI:58) Elimination of property tax for schools.

Eliminates the authority of a school corporation to impose a property tax levy for school purposes, excluding property tax levies imposed by the school corporation for a public library, historical society, or art association. Allows a school corporation to impose a local income tax for education of not more than 1.2%. Increases the sales tax to 6%. Increases the adjusted gross income tax on corporations to 4.4% and the supplemental net income tax on corporations to 6.0%. Provides a state tuition support formula equal to the difference between the school corporation's expenditure limit and the amount that the school corporation can raise from a local income tax for education of 1.2%. Establishes the state emergency reserve fund and transfers money from the state general fund to the state emergency reserve fund. Makes conforming changes to convert the school budget year from a calendar year to a school year. Eliminates state and local property tax replacement credit and homestead credit distributions to school corporations.

#### **HB 1996:** (LS 8191) Bottorff (DI:51) Fireworks.

Establishes building and fire suppression requirements for the sale of fireworks. Requires a manufacturer, wholesaler, importer, or distributor of fireworks to pay a \$100 registration fee for a second or subsequent location where fireworks are offered for sale. Prohibits the sale of certain fireworks to a person under the age of 18. Prohibits the sale, distribution, and use of a specific sky rocket unless the sky rocket is sold by a licensed wholesaler exclusively for the purpose of out-of-state distribution.

#### HB 1997: (LS 7281) Mangus (DI:78) County regulation of well drillers.

Creates an educational requirement for persons inspecting wells for a county.

#### HB 1998: (LS 6821) Buck (DI:92) Prohibit property tax for police and fire service.

Eliminates property taxes for police and fire services if the federal government makes fees and other charges for police and fire services deductible for federal income tax purposes. Allows a political subdivision to impose fees and other charges for police and fire services. Imposes an expenditure limit on local police and fire service expenditures. Transfers money from the state general fund to a state emergency reserve fund.

#### HB 1999: (LS 7765) Turner (DI:77) Golden Hoosier discount card.

Establishes the golden Hoosier discount card program within the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services. Allows residents who are at least 60 years of age or

disabled to obtain a golden Hoosier discount card and obtain discounts from participating organizations.

# HB 2000: (LS 6650) Turner (DI:71) Written acknowledgment for withdrawing from school.

Requires a student who seeks to withdraw from school before reaching 18 years of age or graduating to sign a written acknowledgment that the student and the student's parent or guardian understand that withdrawing from school is likely to reduce the student's future earnings and increase the student's likelihood of being unemployed in the future. Requires the department of education to develop guidelines for a school corporation to follow in implementing the written acknowledgment.

# HB 2001: (LS 6689) Turner (DI:101) Body piercing a minor.

Makes it a Class A misdemeanor to perform body piercing, other than ear piercing, on a minor unless the minor's parent or legal guardian is present and provides written permission. Provides that it is a defense to a charge of body piercing a minor or tattooing a minor that the accused person reasonably believed that the minor was at least 18 years of age.

#### HB 2002: (LS 6612) Turner (DI:76) Tobacco and correctional facilities.

Makes it a Class C misdemeanor for anyone to smoke, chew, or otherwise consume tobacco inside a correctional facility.

# HB 2003: (LS 6594) Turner (DI:75) Term limits for speaker of the house.

Provides that an individual who has been elected at least two times as Speaker of the House of Representatives may not subsequently be elected as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### HB 2004: (LS 7917) Turner (DI:94) Consumer loan solicitations.

Prohibits the solicitation for an extension of credit for a consumer loan subject to the uniform consumer credit code by an unsolicited check or other unsolicited negotiable instrument. Provides that a consumer is not liable for an unsolicited check or other unsolicited negotiable instrument. Exempts solicitations made on or before June 30, 1999, and loans in existence on June 30, 1999.

# HB 2005: (LS 7327) Turner (DI:44) Cigarettes packaged for export.

Prohibits cigarette distributors and retailers from affixing tax stamps to cigarettes that do not comply with federal labeling and warning requirements that apply to cigarettes packaged for sale in the United States. Requires the department of state revenue to revoke the registration certificate of a distributor that violates this provision.

#### HB 2006: (LS 6595) Turner (DI:75) Eliminate short session.

Provides that the general assembly shall adjourn on April 29 of each odd-numbered year until the speaker of the house and the president pro tempore of the senate jointly issue a call for the members to reconvene. Provides that a joint call to reconvene: (1) must be issued not later than the second Tuesday after the first Monday in November

of an odd-numbered year; (2) may not reconvene the general assembly before January 1 of the following even-numbered year; and (3) may be rescinded by joint action of the speaker and the president pro tempore. Provides that if the general assembly reconvenes under a joint call, the general assembly must adjourn sine die not later than March 14 following the date the general assembly reconvenes. Provides a procedure for sine die adjournment of the general assembly if the speaker and the president pro tempore do not issue a joint call to reconvene. Abolishes the second regular (short) session of the general assembly. Makes conforming changes in other statutes.

### HB 2007: (LS 7950) Turner (DI:96) Operation of motor vehicle license branches.

Requires the bureau of motor vehicles commission to contract with responsible and responsive contractors by competitive bids for license branch operations. Removes the employees of the license branches from the public employees retirement fund. Requires the bureau of motor vehicles commission to inform the license branches of changes in service charges to be collected by the license branches. Provides that a person who fails to collect service charges or to deposit them in the state license branch fund commits a Class D felony. (Current law provides this violation is a Class C infraction.)

#### HB 2008: (LS 6633) Turner (DI:92) Gambling moratorium.

Provides that until January 1, 2004: (1) a form of gambling that is not lawful under an Indiana statute in effect on January 1, 1999,

may not become lawful under an Indiana statute; (2) a statute in effect in Indiana on January 1, 1999, that allows a form of gambling may not be amended to expand the scope of gambling allowed by the statute; (3) a tribal-state compact to allow tribal gaming may not be made between the state and an Indian tribe; (4) a meeting permit to conduct pari-mutuel wagering that has not been issued by January 1, 1999, may not be issued; (5) a satellite facility license that has not been issued by January 1, 1999, may not be issued; and (6) the maximum number of riverboat licenses authorized on January 1, 1999, may not be increased.

#### HB 2009: (LS 6698) Turner (DI:92) Abolition of riverboat gambling.

Abolishes riverboat gambling effective July 1, 2002. Makes conforming amendments.

#### HB 2010: (LS 8013) Turner (DI:92) Sales tax moratorium.

Provides a sales tax exemption for clothing priced less than \$50 and purchased in the first week of August in a state fiscal year following a state fiscal year in which the state surplus exceeds \$1,000,000,000.

### HB 2011: (LS 6647) Turner (DI:73) State expenditure limitation.

Limits increases in state expenditures to the lesser of the percentage increase in inflation and population or 6%. Allows voters or two-thirds of the members of the general assembly to authorize additional spending.

# HB 2012: (LS 6646) Turner (DI:73) State expenditure limitations.

Limits the percentage increase in state expenditures to the lesser of the percentage increase in inflation and population or 6%. Allows voters or two-thirds of the members of the general assembly to authorize additional spending.

#### HB 2013: (LS 6745) Turner (DI:44) Income tax deduction for textbook fees.

Provides a deduction from an individual's adjusted gross income for textbook rental fees at the elementary and secondary school levels and for required textbook purchases at the postsecondary level. Provides certain limits on the allowable deduction for required textbook purchases at the postsecondary level.

# HB 2014: (LS 6617) Turner (DI:73) Community foundation tax credit.

Provides an adjusted gross income tax credit for contributions made to community foundations. Provides that: (1) the maximum credit for an individual is \$200 in the case of a single return and \$400 in the case of a joint return; and (2) the maximum credit for a corporation is \$10,000. Provides that the maximum credit amounts shall be adjusted annually for inflation.

# HB 2015: (LS 6622) Turner (DI:73) High school contribution tax credit.

Provides an adjusted gross income tax credit for charitable donations to public and accredited private high schools located in Indiana for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998. Indexes the credit in future years to the change in the Consumer Price Index.

#### HB 2016: (LS 6608) Turner (DI:73) School contribution tax credit.

Provides an adjusted gross income tax credit for 50% of charitable contributions to public and accredited private elementary or secondary schools located in Indiana for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998. Provides that the credit may not exceed \$100 in the case of an individual filing a single return or \$200 in the case of individuals filing a joint return. Provides that in the case of a corporation, the credit may not exceed the lesser of 10% of the corporation's adjusted gross income tax or \$1,000.

#### HB 2017: (LS 6736) Turner (DI:58) Secondary school income tax credit.

Provides an adjusted gross income tax credit for 50% of charitable contributions to public and accredited private schools located in Indiana for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998. Provides that the credit may not exceed \$200 in the case of an individual filing a single return or \$400 in the case of individuals filing a joint return. Provides that in the case of a corporation, the credit may not exceed the lesser of 10% of the corporation's adjusted gross income tax or \$5,000.

# **HB 2018:** (LS 6610) Turner (DI:73) College contribution tax credit.

Increases the maximum adjusted gross income tax credit for charitable donations to institutions of higher education located in Indiana for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998. Indexes the credit in future years to the change in the Consumer Price Index.

#### HB 2019: (LS 6859) Moses (DI:100) Group self-insurance.

Provides that an employer may join a worker's compensation self-insurance group consisting of at least 11 employers that have associated for the purpose of pooling their liabilities under the worker's compensation law and the worker's occupational diseases compensation law. Establishes the group guaranty fund to meet the obligations of defaulting worker's compensation self-insurance groups.

#### HB 2020: (LS 6894) Dobis (DI:2) Various ABC matters.

Corrects a reference to the Indiana Administrative Code in order to cite the current rule on Sunday sales of alcoholic beverages by certain retailers. Provides that the alcoholic beverage commission (ABC) may not issue a beer retailer's permit to a person who, within ten years before the date of application, has been convicted of certain federal or state crimes. Provides that the holder of an alcoholic beverages club permit may keep a guest book listing members and their nonmember guests, except on designated guest days.

### HB 2021: (LS 8174) Dobis (DI:78) Motor vehicle inspection stations.

Applies air pollution control laws concerning motor vehicles emissions tests to certain motor vehicles. Allows certain inspection stations to inspect and certify motor vehicles. Describes circumstances under which the department of environmental management may contract with a person to conduct emissions inspections. Repeals the expired provision

that governed contracts for motor vehicles emission inspections and legalizes actions taken under the expired provision.

#### HB 2022: (LS 8206) Dobis (DI:92) Excise tax on trucks and semitrailers.

Removes certain commercial vehicles from the property tax rolls and imposes an excise tax upon the vehicles. Appropriates amounts from the general fund that are necessary for the bureau of motor vehicles and the department of revenue to defray the costs of administering the excise tax. Makes conforming amendments.

#### HB 2023: (LS 7927) Stilwell (DI:73) Emissions allowance tax credit.

Provides an income tax credit for taxpayers purchasing, selling, or otherwise using federal emission allowances. Provides that the tax credit is provided only for allowances purchased for more than \$100. Provides that the tax credit may not exceed \$5,000,000 for a taxpayer in a taxable year.

# HB 2024: (LS 6378) Brown T (DI:88) Mandatory HIV testing of pregnant women.

Requires that each pregnant woman be tested for the antibody or antigen to the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) during pregnancy. Requires a physician who diagnoses a woman's pregnancy to take a blood sample at the time of diagnosis and submit each sample to an approved laboratory for a standard serological test for HIV. Requires a person other than a licensed physician who attends a pregnant woman, but who is not permitted by law to take blood specimens, to cause a sample of the pregnant woman's blood to be taken by a

licensed physician, who must then submit the sample to an approved laboratory for an HIV test. Requires that a blood sample for an HIV test be taken from a woman at the time of delivery that if the woman was not tested for HIV during her pregnancy. Requires that information pertaining to the woman's HIV testing status be included on each birth certificate or stillborn certificate. Repeals a law pertaining to voluntary HIV testing for pregnant women.

## HB 2025: (LS 7265) Kruzan (DI:2) Primetime program for grade 4.

Expands the kindergarten to grade 3 primetime program to include grade 4. Provides that a ratio of 20 pupils to one teacher is the level at which a school corporation qualifies for a distribution for grade 4. Appropriates from the state general fund money that is in addition to other appropriations for the primetime program in the amount of \$18,300,000 in fiscal year 1999-2000 and \$40,100,000 in fiscal year 2000-2001.

# HB 2026: (LS 7926) Kruzan (DI:73) Economic development.

Requires the department of state revenue to provide an annual report to the general assembly that describes the amount of uncollected revenues for certain development assistance tax credits and deductions. Requires each county auditor to provide annually to the state board of tax commissioners certain information concerning development assistance property tax deductions and credits claimed during the preceding year. Requires the department of commerce to adopt a standardized

information form that must be completed by any person applying for development assistance under any program or fund operated by or administered by the state or a political subdivision. Requires an entity considering an application for development assistance to deny the application unless the applicant proposes to meet certain conditions concerning wages that will be paid to the applicant's employees. Requires a recipient of development assistance to pay back a part of the development assistance if the recipient does not meet its wage and employment goals for a year. Provides that development assistance is void and must be paid back if the recipient fails to meet the wage and employment goals for three consecutive years. Requires granting bodies that approve development assistance to prepare annual progress reports concerning recipients of development assistance.

#### **HB 2027:** (LS 8156) Kuzman (DI:47) Loan brokers.

Makes numerous changes concerning the regulation of loan brokers by the securities commissioner. Requires a loan broker to be licensed. Requires an employee of a loan broker to be registered if the person engages in loan origination activities for a loan broker. Requires licensees and registrants to receive at least 24 hours of academic instruction in order to be licensed or registered after December 31, 2000. Prohibits felons from owning a loan brokerage or being licensed as a loan broker. Increases the penalty for the violation of the loan broker statute from a Class D felony to a Class C felony.

HB 2028: (LS 7930) Mellinger (DI:101)

#### Private investigators and security guards.

Changes the name of the private detectives licensing board to the "private investigator and security guard licensing board". Makes conforming amendments and other changes, including the following: (1) Revising private investigator and security guard qualifications for licensure. (2) Specifying types of licenses. (3) Allowing reciprocity with other states. (4) Setting forth qualifications for licensing of security guards. Moves provisions allowing for certification of polygraph examiners by the state police department.

# HB 2029: (LS 7729) Herrell (DI:2) Indiana teacher quality initiative.

Establishes the Indiana teacher quality initiative as a public private partnership to provide expertise and training in teaching. Appropriates \$750,000 annually from the state general fund for the teacher quality initiative.

# HB 2030: (LS 7264) Herrell (DI:2) Primetime program for grade 4.

Expands the kindergarten to grade 3 primetime program to include grade 4. Provides that a ratio of 20 pupils to one teacher is the level at which a school corporation qualifies for a distribution for grade 4. Appropriates from the state general fund money that is in addition to other appropriations for the primetime program in the amount of \$18,300,000 in fiscal year 1999-2000 and \$40,100,000 in fiscal year 2000-2001.

HB 2031: (LS 7726) Herrell (DI:2) School quality and best practices resource center.

Establishes the Indiana school quality and best practices resource center as a public private partnership to provide expertise and training in school quality matters.

Appropriates \$1,750,000 annually from the state general fund for the resource center.

Repeals the Indiana school academic improvement law and the freeway schools law. Makes conforming amendments.

#### HB 2032: (LS 8110) Fry (DI:69) St.

Joseph County courts. Requires the election of judges for the St. Joseph superior court. Eliminates the St. Joseph County judicial nominating commission and the St. Joseph County judicial qualifications commission. Adds one judge to the St. Joseph superior court to: (1) be elected at the November 5, 2000, general election; and (2) take office January 1, 2001. Divides the St. Joseph superior court into divisions that each have one judge. Specifies the jurisdiction of the divisions. Adds: (1) one full-time magistrate to the St. Joseph circuit court; and (2) one full-time magistrate to the St. Joseph probate court. Requires the judges of the St. Joseph superior court to designate by rule one of the judges as chief judge before September 1, 1999. Makes the chief judge responsible for the efficient operation and conduct of the court. Repeals a provision that requires the judges of the St. Joseph superior court to designate a presiding judge.

#### HB 2033: (LS 8100) Robertson (DI:77) Mental health counselors.

Allows the social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor board to waive or modify the education or experience requirements for a mental health counselor applicant who demonstrates sufficient experience and knowledge in the practice of mental health counseling. Allows an individual who meets certain requirements to be granted a mental health counselor's license.

#### HB 2034: (LS 7369) Brown C (DI:97) Coordination of insurance with state programs

Makes technical corrections to the Infants and Toddlers With Disabilities Program statute to conform to federal law. Adds two members to the interagency coordinating council to include a representative of a Head Start agency or program in Indiana and a representative of a state agency responsible for child care. Requires that the interagency coordinating council meet quarterly. (Current law provides for at least four meetings per year.) Requires state employee health benefit plans, state educational institution self-insurance plans, and health insurance plans to reimburse the First Steps program of the Division of Family and Children for covered early intervention services provided under the program. Limits reimbursement to the First Steps program to a maximum of \$5,000 per year. Prohibits the amount reimbursed to the First Steps program from applying to an annual or lifetime maximum benefit under a plan. Requires a plan to deem amounts paid by the First Steps Program as amounts paid by the First Steps child for purposes of out of pocket expenses payable by the child under the plan.

HB 2035: (LS 8126) Brown C (DI:77) Health records for scientific projects.

Allows a health provider to disclose health records to a hospital trade association for use in scientific, statistical, or educational projects with the state department of health. Provides that certain information is confidential.

# HB 2036: (LS 7490) Bischoff (DI:73) Fire protection territories.

Provides that a fire protection territory may establish a cumulative building and equipment fund.

#### HB 2037: (LS 7838) Ripley (DI:51) Bureau of motor vehicles.

Establishes the motor vehicle study committee. Requires license plates to be numbered using a statewide numbering scheme. Requires driver examinations to be scheduled within 30 days of a request. Requires the bureau of motor vehicles to establish a system to allow insurance carriers to submit to the bureau electronically a certificate notifying the bureau that an insurance policy that formed the basis of proof of future financial responsibility has been canceled. Repeals the requirement that a passenger license plate display a numeral that indicates the county in which the passenger car is registered.

#### HB 2038: (LS 7248) Brown T (DI:77) HIV test consent.

Provides an exception to the consent law to allow an HIV test to be ordered for a health care provider or an employee of a health care facility who is involved in direct skin or mucous membrane contact with blood or bodily fluids of an individual that, as determined by a physician, is of a nature that

may transmit HIV.

#### HB 2039: (LS 8045) Fry (DI:97) Worker's compensation regulation.

Provides that any individual, organization, or entity that provides worker's compensation coverage must be regulated by the worker's compensation board of Indiana consistent with the requirements for insurers. Provides that the department of insurance fund may be used to administer the provisions of this act. Requires the worker's compensation board and the department of insurance to adopt joint rules not later than September 30, 1999.

#### HB 2040: (LS 8098) Fry (DI:73) Public employees' retirement fund (PERF) benefits.

Provides that the multiplier used in calculating pension benefits for PERF members who retire after June 30, 1999, with at least ten years of service is graduated according to a member's years of service. Provides that the multiplier for a PERF member with at least ten years of service is equal to 1.2% and that the multiplier increases to 1.5% for a member with at least 25 years of service. (Current law provides that the multiplier is equal to 1.1%.)

# HB 2041: (LS 8082) Fry (DI:97) Public employer self-insurance.

Requires a self-insurance program established or maintained by a public employer for coverage of health care services for the public employer's employees to meet certain minimum standards established by the department of insurance. Provides that contributions made by public

employers or employees for coverage of health care services may not be transferred to other accounts or used for any other purpose. Requires the commissioner to adopt rules. Requires the commissioner to submit an evaluation of compliance with the act to the legislative council and the governor before July 1, 2002.

#### HB 2042: (LS 7701) Fry (DI:51) Merit selection of judges.

Provides for the merit selection of the judges of superior, probate, county, and small claims courts. Eliminates the age requirement applicable to superior court judges in some counties. Eliminates an experience requirement applicable to superior court judges in Allen County. Makes other changes.

#### HB 2043: (LS 8042) Fry (DI:97) Various insurance matters.

Makes certain changes to requirements for breast cancer screening coverage by group insurance for public employees, group insurers, and health maintenance organizations (HMOs). Removes fees collected by the commissioner associated with the commissioner's duties as agent for service of process. Requires limited service health maintenance organizations (LSHMOs) to remit annual internal audit fees to the department of insurance. Provides that the commissioner of the department of insurance may order penalties against an insurance company that is operating contrary to law and may bring an action in the Marion County circuit court to compel compliance. Adds provisions regarding regulation of worker's compensation

coverage providers. Provides that various insurers must appoint an individual or corporate resident of Indiana, or an authorized Indiana insurer, as the insurer's agent for service of process. Makes certain changes regarding continuing education requirements and licensure of insurance agents. Allows the commissioner to order a penalty for nonpayment of premium taxes by an insurance company. Removes the requirement that information concerning premiums and losses, jury awards, court awards, and negotiated settlements be filed with the annual financial statement of insurers selling certain lines of insurance. Changes the requirements for annual information filing with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) from diskette to electronic filings. Changes the definition of "insurer" in the holding company law to include HMOs and LSHMOs. Exempts insurance purchased by exempt commercial policyholders from the application of the law concerning the regulation of rates for casualty insurance. Removes a requirement for at least \$5,000,000 to remain in the reserve account for the political subdivision catastrophic liability fund. Increases monetary amounts and adds restitution to the civil penalties that can be ordered by the commissioner for an unfair or deceptive act in the business of insurance. Adds HMOs and LSHMOs to the types of insurers to which the unauthorized insurers statute applies. Adds requirements for insurance companies when terminating a homeowner's policy. Removes provisions allowing insurers to exclude or limit coverage based on evidence of insurability in group accident and sickness insurance policies. Amends the definition of "long term care insurance policy" in the long term

care insurance statute. Makes certain changes to the small employer group insurance statute. Contains certain requirements for insurer preauthorization of health care services. Adds LSHMOs as insurers to which the provisions of the medical child support statute apply. Defines "grievance" under the HMO statute as a written or an oral complaint. Provides certain restrictions on an HMO's or LSHMO's assumption of a corporate name. Allows an HMO or LSHMO to assume and take credit for reinsurance. Contains certain provisions regarding HMO and LSHMO dividends. Requires HMOs to provide coverage for newly born children. Contains certain provisions regarding HMO and LSHMO financial statement filings including: (1) actuarial opinions; (2) minimum qualifications of an actuary; (3) National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) annual statement blanks; (4) conformity with accounting practices; (5) annual and quarterly filings with the NAIC; and (6) civil penalties. Requires an HMO or LSHMO to file with the commissioner a copy of an examination report filed by the insurance commissioner of another state. Allows the department of insurance to review changes in control of an HMO or LSHMO that is owned by a foreign corporation. Provides requirements for notice of voluntary dissolution by an HMO or LSHMO. Increases the settlement procedure amount under the medical malpractice act from \$100,000 to \$250,000. Makes conforming amendments.

HB 2044: (LS 7489) Fry (DI:97) State employee health benefits.

Provides that, if the state personnel

department establishes a self-insurance program covering health care services, there must be at least one policy option that has a \$5,000 deductible. Provides that, if the state personnel department establishes a self-insurance program covering health care services, all out-of-pocket expenses paid by the employee must be applied to any applicable deductible. Establishes a health benefits committee to direct and monitor the state personnel department on employee health benefits. Requires the state personnel department to establish an employee benefits ombudsman division to assist employees with issues regarding employee health benefits. Requires the employee benefits ombudsman to forward complaints regarding coverage to the state department of insurance. Defines a rural employee as a covered individual who lives in a county that does not have a second class city or a consolidated city and is not contiguous to a county with a second class city or a consolidated city. Requires that rural employees must be allowed to obtain health care services from any health care provider without financial penalties, unless otherwise directed by the health benefits committee. Requires a self-insurance program or contract with a prepaid health care delivery plan for state employees to provide coverage for laboratory services provided by a laboratory services provider chosen by the covered individual's treating physician. Prohibits financial penalties to the covered individual for obtaining laboratory services from a laboratory services provider chosen by the covered individual's treating physician. Removes provisions canceling eligibility for group health insurance coverage for retired state employees upon eligibility for Medicare. Requires a health

maintenance organization to make determinations of medical necessity for health care services in writing and base the determination on certain standards. Provides standards on which a health maintenance organization must base its determinations of medical necessity.

# HB 2045: (LS 7405) Fry (DI:97) Consumer grievance procedures.

Requires the state department of health to establish and maintain internal entity and external state department grievance procedures for use by patients of entities licensed by the state department of health. Requires the health professions bureau to establish and maintain internal practitioner and external bureau grievance procedures for use by patients of licensed health practitioners. Requires entities and practitioners to post, and provide with notices to patients, the grievance procedure applicable to the entity or practitioner. Requires the department of insurance to establish and maintain internal insurer and external department grievance procedures for use by insureds of homeowner's, motor vehicle, life, and health insurers. Requires the department of insurance to establish and maintain an external grievance procedure providing for review of grievances appealed from a health maintenance organization with which the enrollee is not satisfied. Requires insurers and health maintenance organizations to provide the grievance procedure to insureds and enrollees. Provides timelines for the resolution of grievances. Provides for issuance of an order based on the determination of the external departmental grievance panel. Requires entities, practitioners, insurers, and health

maintenance organizations to comply with the order. Provides a penalty for noncompliance.

# HB 2046: (LS 7406) Liggett (DI:73) Graduated income tax; supplemental net income tax.

Establishes a graduated individual income tax that ranges from 3.4% of adjusted gross income of less than \$50,000 for a husband and wife filing a joint return and \$30,000 for a person filing a single return to 8.5% of adjusted gross income of at least \$100,000 for a husband and wife filing a joint return and \$60,000 for a person filing a single return. Entitles an individual to an adjusted gross income tax credit in the amount of \$25 per \$1,000 exemption allowed for the individual, spouse, and dependents. Increases the supplemental corporate net income tax to 5.5%. (The current tax rate is 4.5%.)

### HB 2047: (LS 7565) Friend (DI:73) Tax credit for worksite health programs.

Provides a credit against a taxpayer's state tax liability equal to 10% of the cost incurred by the taxpayer in providing worksite health programs for the taxpayer's employees.

# HB 2048: (LS 7496) Friend (DI:73) Textbook funding.

Provides textbooks to students in public schools at no charge to the student's family, to the extent the cost of the textbooks are reimbursed by the state. Transfers and distributes \$70,000,000 annually from the administrative trust fund of the lottery to school corporations for textbook

reimbursement. Abolishes the public school textbook rental program and the public school textbook library program. Redefines "textbook" to include the various kinds of instructional materials that are currently eligible for state reimbursement under the textbook assistance program. Requires a school corporation to establish a textbook fund and to appropriate money from the fund to purchase and distribute textbooks. Provides an annual state textbook reimbursement distribution to school corporations equal to \$85 multiplied by the school corporation's average daily membership (ADM) for the previous school year. Makes conforming changes and adds transitional provisions.

# HB 2049: (LS 7433) Friend (DI:100) Postlumpectomy care.

Requires an insurer that provides benefits relating to a lumpectomy to provide for a minimum postsurgical inpatient stay at a licensed hospital for an individual following a lumpectomy. Requires the individual's attending physician to determine the appropriate length of the inpatient stay based on the following: (1) Medical necessity. (2) Protocols and guidelines that are based on sound scientific evidence. (3) Evaluation of the individual and the coverage for and availability of a postdischarge physician office visit or in-home nurse visit to verify the individual's condition within 48 hours after discharge.

# HB 2050: (LS 8015) Brown T (DI:51) Medicaid payments for life insurance premiums.

Allows the state to use federal Medicaid grants to pay the insurance premiums for life

insurance that is assigned to the state or makes the state a beneficiary. Provides that the value of a life insurance policy that is assigned to the state or makes the state a beneficiary shall be disregarded in determining the applicant's or recipient's eligibility for Medicaid.

#### HB 2051: (LS 8218) Weinzapfel (DI:71) Child labor restrictions.

Provides that the employer of a child who is at least 16 years of age and less than 18 years of age must have parental consent on file in the employer's office for the child to work: (1) more than 30 hours and less than 40 hours per week during school weeks; and (2) 48 hours per week during a nonschool week. Provides that a child who is at least 16 years of age and less than 18 years of age may work until midnight on a night followed by a school day only if the child's employer has the consent of the child's parent on file in the employer's office. Provides that the first violation of child labor laws results in a warning letter, the second violation results in a \$100 fine, and each subsequent violation results in a \$500 fine.

#### HB 2052: (LS 7860) Bischoff (DI:44) Prosecuting attorney pensions.

Provides that a member of the prosecuting attorneys retirement fund is not required to make contributions to the fund after the member has contributed to the fund for 22 years. Reduces the number of years required to vest as a member of the fund from ten to eight. Provides that the calculation of retirement and disability benefits under the fund is to be based on the current salary of the office from which the member retired,

instead of the salary at the time the member left office. Increases the percentages used in computing retirement and disability benefits under the fund. Provides for the proration of benefits for partial years of service. Changes the reduction factor for retirement before 65 years of age. Eliminates the requirement that a member have at least five years of service in order to be eligible for disability benefits.

#### HB 2053: (LS 7916) Whetstone (DI:92) Reassessment of lots on newly subdivided land.

Requires newly subdivided land to be reassessed on a lot basis rather than an acreage basis when a certificate of occupancy or other approval is issued for a lot rather than when legal or equitable title to the lot is transferred. Requires notice of the issuance of a certificate of occupancy or other approval to be filed with the county assessor. Corrects a statutory cross reference.

#### HB 2054: (LS 7439) Whetstone (DI:58) Financial institutions tax.

Exempts interest received from United States Treasury obligations from the financial institutions tax.

### HB 2055: (LS 7919) Hasler (DI:77) Tobacco vending machines.

Prohibits the sale or distribution of tobacco products through vending and other coin machines. Provides that each violation is a Class A misdemeanor. (Current law provides that each violation is a Class C infraction.) Grants law enforcement officers the authority to seal, remove, impound, or disable a coin machine that is used to distribute or sell tobacco. Requires the

department of state revenue to establish a program to compensate vending machine owners and purchase tobacco product vending machines. Makes conforming amendments.

#### HB 2056: (LS 7440) Hasler (DI:58) Hepatitis B immunizations.

Provides a state income tax credit for food service establishments that pay for hepatitis B immunizations for their resident employees. Limits the credit to the lesser of \$150 per employee or the customary amount paid for the same immunization under the state employee health coverage program. Applies to taxable years that begin after December 31, 1999.

### HB 2057: (LS 7412) Hasler (DI:92) School to career program tax credit.

Establishes a certified school to career program. Provides a credit against state tax liability for wages paid to a participant in a certified school to career program.

### HB 2058: (LS 8198) Hasler (DI:76) Presumptive joint legal custody.

Establishes a rebuttable presumption that joint legal custody is in the best interests of a child in dissolution of marriage cases. (Under current law an award of joint legal custody is discretionary with the court.) Provides that if a party seeks to rebut the presumption that joint legal custody is in the child's best interest, the court shall consider whether the persons awarded joint custody are able to communicate and cooperate in advancing the child's welfare. Eliminates other factors that a court currently considers in determining whether to order joint legal

custody. Specifies that an award of joint legal custody does not require an equal division of the physical custody of the child. Makes conforming changes.

## HB 2059: (LS 8190) Hasler (DI:69) Probationary licenses and passenger restraints.

Allows an individual who holds a probationary license to receive an operator's license: (1) when the individual is at least 18 years of age; and (2) unless in the 12 months that immediately precede the date upon which the individual applies for an operator's license the individual has been convicted of at least two moving traffic offenses. Specifies that a probationary license: (1) is valid for not more than four years from the date the license is issued; and (2) may not be renewed. Repeals conflicting provisions concerning enforcement of the passenger restraint systems law.

### HB 2060: (LS 7643) Behning (DI:87) Inspection of death records.

Requires a local health officer to include, as part of the officer's monthly report to the state department of health, a copy of the permanent record made of each death and stillbirth. Requires the state department of health to make the permanent record available for public inspection and copying.

#### HB 2061: (LS 7764) Fry (DI:97) Insurance premium tax reduction.

Reduces the insurance premium tax from 2% to 1.5% over a five year phase-in period.

HB 2062: (LS 8181) Atterholt (DI:75) Supplies made using forced labor.

Provides that if an offeror offers to furnish supplies made in a country other than the United States, a governmental body may not award a contract to the offeror for those supplies if the supplies were made using forced labor.

#### HB 2063: (LS 7246) Atterholt (DI:71) Year of manufacture license plates.

Allows a person who registers an antique motor vehicle to furnish and display an authentic license plate or a replica license plate from the model year in which the vehicle was built or two license plates if the vehicle was built in a year during which two plates were required.

#### HB 2064: (LS 7773) Stevenson (DI:92) Inheritance tax.

Increases from 8% to 50% the amount of inheritance taxes retained by the county collecting the tax. Requires the county treasurer to transfer the inheritance tax money to the county family and children's fund. Requires the state board of tax commissioners to reduce the county family and children's fund property tax levy by the amount of inheritance tax money transferred to the county family and children's fund in the preceding year.

# HB 2065: (LS 6028) Scholer (DI:2) Say's firefly as state insect.

Designates the Say's firefly as the official state insect of Indiana.

#### HB 2066: (LS 7694) Bosma (DI:69) Environmental dedicated funds.

Specifies that if a fund is established under

the law concerning the environment to provide a source of money for a specified purpose: (1) the expenses of administering the fund may only be paid from money in the fund; and (2) money in the fund may not be used to pay the expenses of administering another fund or for any purpose other than the specified purpose.

#### HB 2067: (LS 8026) Bosma (DI:94) Continuity of contract.

Provides for the conversion from an individual European Union member nation's currency to the euro in contracts and commercial contracts. Provides protection for contracts based on currencies replaced by the euro. Allows parties to enter into alternate agreements to convert to the euro. Makes certain other changes.

#### HB 2068: (LS 7880) Bosma (DI:71) Phonics requirements.

Requires academic preparation and a demonstration of competency in the teaching of reading and in reading techniques, including phonetic and sound processing, for a person to qualify to receive or renew an elementary teacher license.

#### HB 2069: (LS 8220) Bauer (DI:75) Public computers accessible to minors.

Requires a school corporation or a public library that provides computer access to minors with the ability to connect to a computer communication system to: (1) equip the computer with software that will limit the ability of a minor to gain access to materials inappropriate for minors; or (2) purchase Internet connectivity from an Internet service provider that provides filter

services to limit access to materials inappropriate for minors. Requires a library board or the governing body of a school corporation to hold an annual public meeting to determine how the public library or school corporation will comply with the requirements and to determine what materials are considered inappropriate for minors. Requires the governing body or library board to determine what materials are inappropriate for minors to reflect the community's standards as evidenced during the meeting. Provides that a school corporation or a public library may request a grant from the Indiana technology fund to pay for the costs of purchasing software or purchase Internet connectivity to comply with the requirements of the statute. Requires the request to be approved and the grant to be paid.

#### HB 2070: (LS 7423) Bosma (DI:2) Eligibility for grade 10 ISTEP examination.

Establishes the testing schedule for certain high school students to take the graduation examination under the ISTEP program.

#### HB 2071: (LS 7723) Crawford (DI:94) Marion County public safety consolidation.

Requires a referendum allowing voters of Marion County to: (1) consolidate the Indianapolis, Speedway, Lawrence, Southport, and Beech Grove police departments with the Marion County sheriff's department and establish the Marion County sheriff as the exclusive law enforcement authority for the county, the consolidated city, and the excluded cities; and (2) consolidate fire protection service into the Marion County fire department,

under the control of the Marion County fire commission. Provides that if referendum question (1) passes, the Marion County sheriff is the exclusive police force of the county, the consolidated city and the excluded cities. Provides that if referendum question (2) passes, the fire departments of the consolidated city, townships within the county, and the excluded cities are eliminated, and fire protection authority is consolidated with the Marion County fire department. Makes other specific changes.

# HB 2072: (LS 8053) Crawford (DI:44) Housing trust fund.

Requires the Indiana housing finance authority to transfer principal and interest payments received under certain loans to the Marion County metropolitan development commission for deposit in the housing trust fund. Establishes a property tax exemption for certain real property located in Marion County that was constructed, rehabilitated, or acquired to provide housing to income eligible persons under the federal low income housing tax credit program. Permits the city-county council in Marion County to enter into agreements concerning payments in lieu of taxes for the same real property, and provides that the payments are to be deposited in the housing trust fund. Permits the Marion County metropolitan development commission to establish a supplemental housing program and a tax increment allocation area for the purpose of providing financial assistance to low-income individuals and families to enable them to purchase or lease residential units. Requires the Marion County metropolitan development commission to establish a housing trust fund.

# HB 2073: (LS 8010) Crawford (DI:44) Center Township property tax credit.

Provides an additional state funded property tax replacement credit to taxpayers in Center Township, Marion County, to partially offset the effects of the large number of tax exempt properties owned by the state and federal governments.

#### HB 2074: (LS 6031) Grubb (DI:98) Child care home child to staff ratios.

Specifies that the division of family and children has the authority to grant a variance or waiver of a rule regarding the child to staff ratio in child care homes. Provides that a variance or waiver of the child to staff ratio rule must be reviewed by the division annually.

## HB 2075: (LS 7671) Crawford (DI:44) Increase excise taxes on alcohol.

Establishes the underage drinking prevention and education fund to provide grants for prevention of underage drinking and for education programs concerning underage drinking. Increases excise taxes on beer, wine, liquor, and malt liquor. Provides that the revenues generated by the excise tax increases are to be deposited in the alcoholic beverage commission's enforcement and administration fund, the addiction services fund, and the underage drinking prevention and education fund.

#### HB 2076: (LS 7832) Kruzan (DI:69) Nuisance actions and solid waste districts.

Allows a civil action to abate or enjoin a nuisance to be brought by an attorney representing a solid waste management district in which a nuisance exists.

#### HB 2077: (LS 8212) Dvorak (DI:69) St.

Joseph superior court. Requires the judges of the St. Joseph superior court to designate by rule one of the judges as chief judge. Specifies that the designated chief judge serves as chief judge until the end of the judge's term. Requires the chief judge to: (1) assign cases to a judge of the court or reassign cases from one judge of the court to another judge of the court to ensure the efficient operation and conduct of the court; (2) assign and allocate courtrooms, other rooms, and other facilities to ensure the efficient operation and conduct of the court; (3) annually submit to the fiscal body of St. Joseph County a budget for the court; (4) make appointments or selections on behalf of the court that are required of a superior court judge under any statute; (5) direct the employment and management of court personnel; and (6) enter into cooperative efforts with other courts for establishing and administering shared programs and facilities. Specifies that, whenever any action of the entire court is required and the judges are evenly divided, the decision joined by the chief judge controls. Allows the chief judge to transfer cases to and from the St. Joseph circuit court. Allows the judge of the St. Joseph circuit court to sit as a judge of the St. Joseph superior court with the chief judge's permission. Repeals a provision that required the judges of the St. Joseph superior court to designate a presiding judge. Requires the judges of the St. Joseph superior court to designate a chief judge before September 1, 1999. Makes conforming amendments.

#### HB 2078: (LS 7139) Ayres (DI:44) Homestead credits.

Increases the percentage of the homestead credit to 15% beginning in 2002. (Under current law, the percentage of the homestead credit is 10% through 2001 and 4% in 2002 and thereafter.)

#### HB 2079: (LS 7049) Ayres (DI:92) Deadline for remitting gross income tax.

Changes the date on which a county treasurer remits gross income tax receipts from the sale or transfer of an interest in real estate to the department of state revenue from the 15th to the 20th day of the month following the end of a quarterly period.

# HB 2080: (LS 7508) Ayres (DI:71) School professional development days.

Requires a school corporation to conduct at least 180 student instructional days and five professional development days during which students are not required to be in attendance during a school year, beginning with the 2000-2001 school year. Establishes a professional development grant program, administered by the department of education, to provide funds for professional development activities during the additional days. Establishes criteria for applications for the funds.

# HB 2081: (LS 8092) Ayres (DI:44) Indiana port commission appointments.

Requires that three members of the Indiana port commission must be residents of counties in which ports under the jurisdiction of the commission are located (currently Clark, Porter, and Posey counties). Requires the governor to appoint one resident of Porter County and one resident of Posey County to replace the two members of the commission whose terms expire July 1, 1999. (One member of the commission currently resides in Clark County, with a term expiring July 1, 2001.) Makes technical changes.

# HB 2082: (LS 7506) Ayres (DI:73) Funding for school security personnel.

Provides that the department of education shall reimburse a school corporation for the costs incurred to pay for the school corporation's security guards. Provides a maximum amount that may be paid to a school corporation under this reimbursement.

# HB 2083: (LS 7452) Ayres (DI:71) Grants to high schools exceeding state standards.

Establishes an annual grant for public secondary schools that establish local standards for graduation that require a student to complete a greater number of credit hours than are required by the state. Provides that the grant is an amount equal to the school's ADM multiplied by \$100. Provides that a school may use the grant to provide programs or staff for the school.

# HB 2084: (LS 7023) Ayres (DI:2) Use of academic honors diploma awards.

Provides that a school corporation may use the money that the school corporation receives as an academic honors diploma award for any educational purpose for which a school corporation may spend money.

#### HB 2085: (LS 8154) Bodiker (DI:71)

#### Department of workforce development.

Provides limited worker's compensation coverage for unpaid student workers participating in school to work programs. Amends the date that employer contributions for unemployment compensation are due. Specifies that an individual working at least 40 hours in a week is not eligible for unemployment compensation. Allows the release of certain confidential information by the department of workforce development to other governmental agencies. Defines "legal process" for the purpose of withholding child support payments from unemployment compensation. Creates a state workforce development fund, and specifies the purposes for which funds may be disbursed from the fund.

# HB 2086: (LS 8185) Hasler (DI:96) Incumbent worker training program and fund.

Establishes the incumbent worker training program to be funded by a 0.035% assessment upon wages and to be administered by the department of workforce development. Establishes the incumbent worker training fund to be used for the administration of the incumbent worker training program. Makes conforming amendments.

#### HB 2087: (LS 8196) Mock (DI:88) Child protection system.

Requires an individual reporting that a child may be a victim of child abuse or neglect to include in the report the individual's name, address, and telephone number. Requires an individual receiving the report to verify the reporter's telephone number. Limits the types of information that may be included in the report. Requires that most physical examinations in cases of alleged child abuse or neglect must be conducted by a licensed physician in a licensed health care facility. Specifies who may take photographs in cases of alleged child abuse or neglect, how the photographs must be stored, and to whom the photographs must be made available. Requires that photographs taken as a result of an unsubstantiated report of alleged child abuse or neglect must be destroyed immediately after the report is determined to be unsubstantiated.

# HB 2088: (LS 7377) Mock (DI:98) Investigation of missing children reports.

Requires a law enforcement agency to: (1) immediately investigate (instead of waiting up to 24 hours) a report of a missing child who is missing in alleged violation of a child custody or visitation court order; (2) forward the case to the prosecuting attorney within 24 hours; and (3) arrest persons in violation of the court order. Provides immunity from civil liability for law enforcement officers and agencies for the good faith exercise of their duties in this regard. Increases the penalty for interference with custody from a Class C or Class B misdemeanor to a Class C or D felony. Requires a court to: (1) impose against a person convicted of interference with custody certain costs incurred by the parent or guardian of the missing child; (2) order the person convicted of the offense to immediately return the child; and (3) order the suspension or denial of the person's professional license, driver's license, gaming license, or license as an insurance agent, a bail agent, or a recovery agent.

# HB 2089: (LS 8216) Whetstone (DI:51) Budget and personnel management.

Expands the number of public employees in the executive department of state government who are merit employees. Provides for search committees to make hiring and promotion decisions for a state agency. Provides for oversight of the staffing levels, budgets, and organizational decisions of a state agency by an administrative oversight board. Makes the state and a state employee or agent who commits a civil rights violation liable for damages, including emotional distress, punitive damages, costs, and attorneys fees resulting from a violation of a person's civil rights. Makes other changes.

# HB 2090: (LS 7753) Ayres (DI:97) Eligibility for children's health insurance program.

Provides that a child who is less than 19 years of age and who is a member of a family with an income that is less than 150% of the federal income poverty level qualifies for Medicaid. Adds a provision that a child may enroll in the children's health insurance program if the child is a member of a family with an income that is between 150% and 200% of the federal income poverty level.

# HB 2091: (LS 7847) Whetstone (DI:76) Various family law issues.

Establishes a rebuttable presumption that joint legal custody and joint physical custody is in the best interests of a child in dissolution of marriage and paternity cases. Changes the factors that the court uses in determining whether to order joint physical and joint legal custody. Provides that

whenever the court does not order joint physical custody, a noncustodial parent is entitled to certain minimum visitation. Establishes guidelines for a court to use in ordering visitation. Prescribes standards for parties to follow to facilitate visitation. Requires a court that finds an intentional violation of a visitation order to be confined to the county jail for seven days for each violation of the court's visitation order. Provides that whenever parties have contested issues arising out of a dissolution of marriage case, the court shall refer the proceeding to mediation or counseling. Provides that whenever a visitation order is not complied with, a court may deposit child support funds in an escrow account until the visitation order is complied with. Provides that a court may not decree a legal separation or a dissolution of marriage unless the parties participate in at least 40 hours of court approved counseling. Provides grounds for a custody modification if a person who has been awarded joint physical or joint legal custody, or both, moves outside Indiana or at least 100 miles from the person's county of residence. Provides that whenever a person is delinquent in the payment of child support, the court shall order the person to pay the delinquent support at certain regular intervals provided that the other parent has complied with court orders relating to the paternity or dissolution of marriage action, including court orders involving custody and visitation. Provides that a judge who fails to comply with certain statutory provisions relating to dissolution of marriage, paternity, custody, or visitation commits official misconduct and: (1) is not entitled to judicial immunity; and (2) may not be represented at the state's expense in an action against the

judge for official misconduct. Requires that within each two year period that a judge presides over a court with jurisdiction over dissolution of marriage or paternity matters, the judge shall participate in 40 hours of training in shared parenting. Repeals certain provisions concerning joint legal custody. Makes certain other changes.

HB 2092: (LS 7311) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2093: (LS 7313) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2094: (LS 7304) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2095: (LS 7303) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2096: (LS 7321) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2097: (LS 7320) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2098: (LS 7319) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2099: (LS 7317) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2100: (LS 7315) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2101: (LS 7314) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2102: (LS 7307) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2103: (LS 7297) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2104: (LS 7300) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2105: (LS 7305) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2106: (LS 7308) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2107: (LS 7310) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2108: (LS 7312) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2109: (LS 7298) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2110: (LS 7301) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2111: (LS 7302) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2112: (LS 7306) Rules and Legislative

Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2113: (LS 7299) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2114: (LS 7309) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2115: (LS 7316) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.

HB 2116: (LS 7318) Rules and Legislative Procedures (DI:13) Vehicle Bill.